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"And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God." Luke 8:1.

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

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Another Year

Earth giveth unto us
Another year
Miraculous
Her beauty to behold,
New dawns of rose and gold,
New starlights to enfold
Our dreaming sphere.

Love giveth unto us
Another year
Of marvelous
Ointment for weary feet,
A shadow in the heat,
Home welcomes and hearth-sweet
Communion dear.

Christ giveth unto us
Another year
Of burdenous
Tasks blessed for His sake,
World's pity to awake,
To bind up hearts that break
Beside us here.

Hope giveth unto us
Another year
Adventurous
To follow the climbing Good
By thorn and beast withstood,
To heights of Brotherhood,
Through dim to clear.

God giveth unto us
Another year
All luminous
With Him, our shining Force,
Of life's bewildered course
Still charioteer.

Katherine Lee Bates

Editorial

ALL BUSINESS FIRMS, at the beginning of the year, take stock that they may know what are their liabilities and what their assets.

Facing the New Year, as we do, would it not be well for each Auxiliary member to do the same, to ask herself honestly, am I an asset or a liability to my Auxiliary? One writer has described an asset as something that adds to and therefore strengthens and builds up, a liability as something that takes away from and therefore weakens and tears down. The question for each one of us to decide is Am I going to strengthen or weaken my Auxiliary? Am I going to help or hinder it? Am I going to be an asset or a liability?

To be a liability is sometimes easier than to be an asset—for instance, to be a member in name only; to stay away from the meetings because we might be asked to do something we do not like to do; or worse still to go, and be a chronic objector. Speaking of handling objectors, the *Missionary Review of the World* has this to say: "A chronic objector sooner or later to her own hurt becomes a despised obstructionist.

A good thing to remember
And a better thing to do,
Is to work with the construction gang
And not with the wrecking crew."

On the other hand, if we decide that we are going to be an asset, self must be put to one side; we must seek to build up the membership; to be regular, not spasmodic in our attendance; whole-hearted in our service; willing even to take office or be a leader of a study group if the need presents itself. We must be willing to speak to God of our needs and ask Him to bless our work and strengthen and encourage our workers, in other words, earnestly praying instead of reading a prayer. Above all, we must talk to others about our Auxiliary and the work and thus increase our knowledge and quicken our interest.

The story of the accomplishments of your Auxiliary in 1930 will tell whether the members have been assets or liabilities.

AS WE ENTER THE NEW YEAR, let us do so in prayer, thanking God for His goodness in calling us—a great company of women—to witness for Jesus Christ. And whether we meet in public gatherings on a certain set day, or intercede in the quiet of our own homes, may this act of worship draw us nearer to each other in a deeper, wider fellowship and enable us with renewed enthusiasm and consecration to face the duties that await each one in the New Year.

To Save Life and to Spread the Truth is the motto of Hackett Medical College for women, Canton, China.

How successfully this motto has been practised is seen in the report of Dr. Hofmann, the President. He tells of the progress in every department, the excellent spirit of enthusiastic study and Christian fellowship existing in the student body, and the fine spirit of co-operation in the faculty. The School is winning its way gradually in the estimation of the public to judge by the large number of applicants for admission to the college.

The Hospital has been very busy throughout the year, the in-patients treated numbering 2,157. The out-patient clinic has outgrown its quarters, the baby health clinic and prenatal clinic are growing steadily, and office patients still come in increasing numbers.

The School of Nursing has progressed steadily under the leadership of their first Chinese Acting Principal.

In religious work they continue to rejoice in the splendid fellowship and co-operation of previous years. Giving over the religious leadership to a Chinese pastor has brought much good fruit. One of the big steps forward this year is the organization of the Sunday morning service into a regular student church, and the formation of a religious work committee, consisting of representatives from all groups concerned,—faculty, medical and nursing students, workers, etc. Just at the end of the year a separate chapel service was organized for hospital convalescents and friends of patients. This is held in the morning at the same time as student and staff chapel service.

As a W.M.S. we have a vital interest in this splendid college, for our own Dr. Jessie MacBean, one of the members of the staff, is maintained by our Society and, in addition, we give a unit of support.

We report a change in the list of Council officers. Mrs. Donald Gordon has been appointed Secretary for School Homes, in place of Miss J. Florence Lang, who left in December for a round-the-world tour. Although Miss Lang has given up the Secretaryship, she retains her membership on the Council Executive, and the good wishes of her co-workers will follow her on her journeyings.

Wonderful progress is reported in the ''Helen Macdonald Memorial Girls' School'' at Jhansi. Three years ago there were seven girls in attendance, now there are over seventy and they have come from Cawnpore, Saugar, Rilespur and many other distant points. Our missionaries, in their modesty, attribute much of the success to the splendid work of the matron

Munki-bai and the staff of teachers, but we know that our two young missionaries, Miss Stringer and Miss Whatling, are the mainspring of all the success.

NINE YEARS AGO the Canadian School of Missions was established by the Foreign Mission Boards of Canada, to provide specialized training for furloughed missionaries and missionary candidates. Representatives from the Anglican, Baptist, Presbyterian and United Church, form the present Boards which are responsible for its maintenance and control. Four theological colleges in Toronto are also co-operating units. All lectures and other privileges of the School are free to all candidates and furloughed missionaries of the co-operating Boards, provided they have registered in the School. These courses are arranged with a view to the requirements of missionaries and candidates. Ever since its organization the School has occupied rented quarters, but we are glad to announce that it has purchased a permanent house at 97 St. George Street. The official opening and dedication will take place the second week in January when eminent visitors from Great Britain and the United States will be present.

MISSIONARY WOMEN throughout North America are asked to hold in remembrance two outstanding gatherings which convene this month in Atlantic City: The annual meeting of the Council of Women for Home Missions, January 8th to 14th; and the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, January 14th to 17th. Our W.M.S. hopes to be represented by two delegates, the President, Mrs. D. Strachan, and the Girls' Organizations Secretary, Miss Muriel Gray.

ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS the members of the Council Executive have reported attending jubilee services and hearing most interesting accounts of the formation and consequent history of the Auxiliary or Presbyterial as the case might be. These histories are of more than local interest. They are of value to the whole Society, and we would ask those Auxiliaries which are holding fifty or sixty year jubilee meetings kindly to send copies to the W.M.S. Historian, Miss M. Reid, 87 Pembroke St., Toronto.

OUR LIBRARY DEPARTMENT has several large Bibles suitable for pulpit use. Any congregation or group wishing information concerning these should apply to Miss C. G. Kerr, 103 Roxborough St. W., Toronto.

LATEST INFORMATION from Canora is that our hospital is ''packed to the doors''. Nine operations were performed in one day and for all these Miss Cuddy, the Superintendent, administered the anæsthetic.

The Urgent Need of a New Attitude

ADDRESS GIVEN AT THE CHINESE WORKERS CONVENTION, BROCKVILLE, NOVEMBER 11TH, BY REV. D. A. SMITH.

''Know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free.''
''If the Son, therefore, shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.'' John 8: 32, 36.

IF I were asked to state what I consider the most pressing need in the work among the Chinese in Canada to-day, I would say it is the need of *a new attitude.* Times have changed, though human nature remains the same. This would cut in two ways. There is a need for a new attitude on the part of the Canadian people toward the Chinese, and on the part of the Chinese toward the Canadian people. The one without the other is incomplete. There is no question more important to-day before Church and State.

A prominent man in missions said not long ago, three things are necessary in all mission work, if we would accomplish it successfully.

First —A knowledge of the present facts.
Second—A vision of the future possibilities.
Third —The infilling of the Holy Spirit in order to perform the task.

In the light of our task, and using these three avenues of approach, let us look at the work before us among the Chinese in Canada.

1. A Knowledge of the Facts

What are some of the facts connected with Chinese work?

The Chinese are here, no matter how many people wish them back in their own land. The fact remains they are here. We must face this.

The Church has a grave responsibility toward the Chinese in Canada. It is true the Church has done much to meet the need in the past. Conditions are changing, however. The new conditions render the work doubly hard, and different from what it used to be. This should not slacken our efforts, but rather call out greater faith and courage to go on. The past is history, we face the present.

The population of (approximately) 50,000 is more or less fixed. Owing to the Immigration Act of 1923, there are no new Chinese coming into the country. Only seven came in last year. It is true that some Chinese are returning to China permanently, and thus forfeiting their residency in Canada, but this number is more than offset by natural increase here. The population, therefore, changes but little.

The Chinese are moving away from the large centres and spreading into the small towns. Although this also applies to Vancouver, the population there remains the same since new men are always coming in. Moreover, frequent changes of occupation make it very difficult to keep in touch with men who have formerly attended classes in organized centres. So, also, does the size of our large cities make attendance difficult, because of distance. These changes, however, we are compelled to meet.

Another fact we have to face is the question of Sunday labor. The Chinese are no longer confined to laundries. The men there were free on Sundays. To-day many are working in cafes. These places of business of necessity keep open on Sundays, leaving little leisure. Despite, that, it must be said, many are faithful to their classes. It is rather singular that in the Victoria Chinese Mission, which has five elders, every one of the five has to work part of every Sabbath day. One owns a cafe, another does newspaper work, a third works in a Canadian dairy, a fourth does housework for Canadian families, while the fifth is in a Canadian tea room. This is indicative of the nature of Chinese work in Canada. Sunday visiting and the Sunday automobile complete the picture. One does not have to say more.

Add to all this that the learning of English is no longer a necessity for the Chinese as it used to be; and the new mental attitude reflected here recently from the new movements in China, which does not make them so dependent upon us, and we see at a glance, conditions that force on us the adoption of a new attitude, and a new approach. We are compelled to ask ourselves the question— What are we going to do about it?

2. The Vision of the Future

We are led then to the second statement, how are we going to meet these facts?

We must, of course, continue to carry on our already organized work by means of our Chinese Missions, Y.M.C.I.'s., and Canadian Church classes. These are still needed and have even a greater part to play to-day. As things are, however, they are not enough.

There must be an every member responsibility for this work. The paid workers of the Church cannot overtake this work alone. The beginnings of the Christian Church were personal contacts. ''Andrew went and found his brother.'' We have to get back to that point. The whole history of success in foreign missions rests right there. It is the winning of the individual, man, woman and child.

Some years ago, because of the law the new Chinese immigrants came in search of us. They came seeking English. We told them of Christ. To-day we must go to them. It is the story of Mahomet and the mountain over again. All the more is this necessary, because of the spreading out, above referred to, into the smaller centres. It becomes the work of the local Church, therefore, to see to it that Christ is offered to them. Many of the men they meet are Christians and former members of classes but out of contact with the Church. It is the business of the members of Christ's body to see to it that they are not neglected.

This raises the whole question of the need of a new attitude especially on the part of Canadians. It goes without saying that there is a great wall of indifference or prejudice separating us one from the other. This, of course, must be broken down. Moving pictures and magazines give unreal and untruthful impressions of the Chinese people. These impressions are deliberately created to keep up the myth that is in the public mind. It is time the real Chinese heart and mind were interpreted.

The Chinese are human. They have heartaches, joys, sorrows, and simple pleasures like our own. They are no different inwardly. True, they eat different foods and eat it with chop-sticks instead of forks and knives, but inside their feelings are alike. Has a Chinese father or mother ever come to you with their troubles? Has a Chinese boy or girl? Were they different in their quests from our own? Not a bit. Here, then, is our point of contact.

We hear people say, ''Oh, we who have not the language cannot do anything with these people.'' The lack of their language may be a handicap, but, there is really only one language in this or in any foreign mission work—the language of the heart. That is the only one that counts. And though we have the tongues of angels and have not this, we are of little use.

During the past few months I have busied myself among the Chinese people, east and west, asking what they considered most helpful, in the work, in order to break down the mutual standoffishness that exists. Here are some of the answers that I got. They are worthy of serious consideration. I put them briefly:

> (a) One Chinese man said: ''If you would break down prejudice on both sides, let Canadians invite Chinese to their homes once in a while; let them see a Christian home in operation. They have no way of seeing it otherwise. Men have been converted to Christ that way. Have Canadians sit down and eat with them also, when opportunity offers. Christ did that, didn't he?''
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> (b) A Chinese woman said: ''Don't give the Gospel as if it were charity. The Chinese don't want charity in any shape. To patronize is always fatal. I suppose that is where our pride enters, but, then, we do have feelings just the same as Canadians.''
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> (c) ''Get to know their interests,'' said another Chinese man, ''their home life, their business worries, build up trust and confidence, and so establish a close friendship. That,'' he said (and this is the point of his remark) ''is to my mind infinitely more important than getting them into a Sunday School class. This first, the other follows.''
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> (d) Here is a rather strange answer, but how much is in it. ''Make them laugh; be cheery with them. If they must have long faces, let them be long broadways. Christianity is a happy thing. The Chinese need to be taken out of themselves.''
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> (e) Coming down to religious instruction, one said: ''Don't speak

over their heads, in matters of religion. Remember they have no such Christian religious background as you have. Teach them the simple fundamental things simply.''

(f) Still another said: ''Help in every way possible to bring the Chinese into the every day social life of the Church community. This does not mean simply in matters having to do with the Church. In this way they come to understand our Canadian customs, and down go the ancient walls that divide.''

3. The Holy Spirit

In all that has gone before we are not losing sight of the third and supreme need:— The infilling of God's Holy Spirit. Without it we can do nothing. The others are but ways and means. ''Know the Truth'' and ''The Truth shall make you free.'' ''I am the Way, the Truth and the Life''. In other words, get Christ into the hearts of the Chinese—and the Canadians—and we solve everything.

China to-day is face to face with a great choice. No one knows it better than the Christian Chinese themselves. The modern industrial world is rushing in so fast to China that she is facing a philosophy of hard materialism. That was not her past bent. She is also facing the danger of rank atheism. The idols are fast being cast to the ground; but when these go nothing—nothing—takes their place. Far better, said a Chinese Christian, that they keep their simple superstitious faith than that. China is also to-day facing toward Christ. She is not blindly accepting Him. She is critical, though she is not hostile as she was a year or two ago. They are watching Christian nations at work. They are watching us here at home to see how Christ's teachings square with life.

The greatest asset of foreign missions in China are returned Chinese who have met our best people and have come to know, and see, Christ in everyday life. The greatest foe to the same missions in China are the men who have gone back, on holiday, or to stay, who have come into contact with our worst, and are determined that western ways shall not be part of China's life. The picture preaches its own lesson.

Again the Christian Church of China is confronted with a tremendous task apart from the outside opposition, which is always great. She has taken on herself an almost insuperable burden. We must remember that the Chinese Christian Church is not large compared to the mass of population. Notwithstanding, during the wave of national independence that swept over China a few years ago, a similar wave went over the Christian community to control their own Church life. One can easily see how it was brought about. Now at their own request foreign mission boards have placed on their shoulders (only too willingly, I'm afraid, because of lack of giving at home) financial and administrative burdens, that are weighing more than heavily. Of course, as we say, the Chinese asked for it, and they got it. Nevertheless, China's Christians cannot be thus left. The props cannot be entirely taken away. What I do want to set forth clearly is the magnificent way in which the Chinese are tackling this task.

Listen to this. In one district alone in South China, thirty-four Churches were put into Chinese hands for support. For the support of these $1500 was subscribed by Chinese in Vancouver and $900 in Victoria. Corresponding amounts were given at all Canadian centres.

A Chinese man has just finished a canvass of the Chinese communities of U.S.A. and Canada and over $100,000 in Chinese money has been subscribed for mission, educational, and hospital work in China.

The other day a not too wealthy Chinese Christian in Vancouver, handed out $1,000 for a Christian reading room in China. He said, we must not let our Christian work in China fall.

The Victoria Chinese Church sent $220 for mission work in China in addition to increased budget giving here last year.

The Christian Chinese of Canada have been contributing for some years to the support of home missions in China.

One cannot enumerate the infinite number of calls being made to-day on the Chinese in Canada, and no Christian people to-day, the world over, are giving more to Christian mission work proportionate to their earnings.

As I say, China and the Chinese in Canada are face to face with a tremendous task. It is ours to get behind them at least with our sympathy and prayers. China is changing and changing fast. The gap between the middle ages and to-day is being filled, in that land, in a few short years. China needs not only our help, but also God's in Christ.

Sir Arthur Currie, speaking the other day at the Conference of the Pacific Coast States in Japan, said, ''No longer must we look on the Pacific Ocean as separating Canada from China, but that which links us together.''

We are to-day being linked by trade and commerce. Let us make Jesus Christ the strongest link that binds us. We can forge that link here in Canada. Are you willing to pay the price—and do the work?

There is a story told of a company of Highland soldiers in India, attacking a difficult position of the enemy. As the men stood in line the officer in charge asked the lieutenant to call for a volunteer for a dangerous piece of work. Meantime he turned his back. When he faced about again he was astounded to see the ranks still unbroken, not a solitary man standing out and offering himself. ''What!'' he cried in dismay, ''have the Highlanders lost their courage? Isn't there one man — —?'' ''I beg your pardon, sir,'' said his subordinate, ''the whole company has marched forward.''

That is the call to the Christian people in Canada in this work. Let us take the step forward together and show that we have the courage of our Christian convictions.

What Factory Girls in Tokio Like to Study

MISS G. CAULFIELD

THE school for working girls is always a need, and it is going well. We have lengthened the course by one year, our aim being to extend the curriculum so that it will gradually equal that of the ordinary day high schools. Every year, new occupations for women are making their appearance, and we have to be ready to meet the needs of the girls entering these employments. Most of the girls can attend school in the evening, but some, such as waitresses, find it easier to come in the morning when business is dull. For girls like these, we are arranging for special classes in flower arrangement, sewing, writing, and, strange as it may seem, English, to be given in the morning.

English is one of the most popular subjects, even among the factory girls, and our English classes are comparatively large. There are a great many English words used in Japanese, so that, in the ordinary course of conversation, we are always sure to hear some English. These words are printed in newspapers and books, and there is scarcely a lecture in which at least two or three English words are not used. One of the things we have to ask speakers who come to talk to working people is, please not to use English words. For this reason, and because they want to learn to read a little English, the girls of our school find the English classes very interesting.

This year, we have formed a club consisting of all those who have ever been in our school, regardless of whether they graduated or not. They meet once a month, principally for recreation, but this enables them to keep in touch with the Shinrinkan (The Settlement). They enjoy this club, for they are all busy and there is very little time or opportunity for recreation. From this club, we hope to form other classes and keep the girls interested in studying and improving themselves.

One class of post graduates consisting of four factory girls, meets once a week for English and special instruction in law and economics. These particular girls are active in the Labor movement and feel that they must have some fundamental knowledge. In the factory where they are employed one of our workers has been teaching a large class of English, after which, he gives some instructions in elementary law. Japanese working women are gradually coming to realize their responsibility and are beginning to prepare to assume their share of the burden which rests upon all working people.

We are deeply grateful to the Women's Missionary Society for making all this possible and we trust that you will pray for the success of our work.

The Good Administrator

A talk to Secretaries by Mabel Cratty, who up to her death was General Secretary, National Board, Young Women's Christian Associations of the United States of America, from 1906-1928

I WANT to talk about our responsibility to be good administrative officers, for I believe firmly that work succeeds or fails to the extent to which we are good administrative officers.

What is administrative ability? It is not to drag, or to drive, or to command, or even to lead, so much as to insure that there is movement, and that the movement is for progress. It is not to make programmes, conceive plans, nor see visions, so much as to insure that these visions of seers reach the earth, become plans and programmes; that these programmes become deeds, multiplying activities, institutions and life.

Good administrators are not born—but *become*—if they meet certain conditions and pass certain tests.

The mental powers and spiritual factors necessary for good administrators are not God-given but are earned from the meeting of moral tests.

What are some of these moral tests? The first one certainly is whether we are willing to face the real issues of our particular job. Sometimes the issue is a person, sometimes a combination of circumstances, sometimes a question of relationships—the wrong attitude of one person to another. The minute of recognition of the issue is not always, or usually, the moment in which to deal with it, but it is the moment to recognize it, and lay it upon one's conscience to see that it is met.

A second test is the willingness to take risks. Women have for a long time consoled themselves for their lack of courage by the thought that they were meant to be the natural conservers of the race, and so we have not hazarded enough and in consequence we do not accomplish enough.

We must be willing to shoulder the burden of the exceptional, the irregular, even the lawless, if power can be set free by so doing. We like so much to have things shipshape and go smoothly! And so we are sometimes almost tempted to keep people out who will disturb the even tenor and the gentle progress of our ways. A new person coming on to a committee may be a perfect bull in a china shop, and turn things all upside down. But we have to choose between comfort and its boon companion dullness, and discomfort with the originality that may come with it.

A third test is the willingness to put ourselves, voluntarily, in positions where it is almost certain that we shall commit blunders. That takes courage—it is a real moral test. To say ''I am not big enough'' is less often humility than it is lack of moral courage.

Another test is the willingness to assume the burden of crude and unfinished work. This is very hard for people who have a natural instinct for thoroughness. If you love to have things done well, it is hard to be willing to let your work fall below your standards, to do crude work, to be always touching things with clumsy hands, to forego the possibility of being an artist. To get up and speak at a moment's notice and speak poorly is not pleasant. But we cannot get off in a corner and let big things go by in order to do a certain thing very well. Nor can we refuse to do a thing because we cannot do it according to our standards. To do so would be very selfish, very self-centered.

A fifth test is the right attitude toward praise and blame. Both praise and blame are good teachers. ''Forsaking the things that are behind'' can be better applied to praise and blame than to almost anything.

We ought not to remember for more than a day that for which we have been blamed. We ought to get the juice out of it and then forget it. Too much attention to it is a sign of self-centeredness. Praise is a good deal the same way. It gives a seasoning to a meal but it is very poor food. Nothing is more dangerous than to acquire the habit of feeding on our successes—of absorbing praise.

But there is a fine use of praise of other people which helps to keep people's minds antiseptic in regard to them. For example, suppose a person makes a blunder at a certain point. To praise her in other points, when we are speaking to others about her, helps to command faith in her work as a whole. We need to be very sensitive, very much alive, to neutralize criticism in this way.

Next we must be willing to be prodigal in the amount of nervous vital energy we spend in helping people to work together. Never begrudge time spent on that. That seems to me to be the fundamental responsibility of a secretary.

Another test is whether we have a constant passion for the development of our peers. Every secretary bears some relation to someone else. We are responsible for furnishing such conditions under which others work that they can develop into more than we can ever be or become; so that they will become our teachers. We are to be teachable.

Then there is the use of our sense of humor. This may seem like a minor point, but it is at just this point that some of us may fail. Some people use it freely in their play, but never carry it into their work. The use of our sense of humor will keep us from taking ourselves too seriously; from being oversensitive, which makes us so hard to work with. In the eleventh hour the thing for most of us to do is to laugh; if we cannot laugh we make things very hard for those who have to work with us.

And the tests by which we can judge whether or not we are doing the things that will make us good administrative officers seem to me to be these:

Are we able to see things whole—not a detail at a time, but many details and in relation to each other? Are we able to see far? Are we able to distinguish between the essential and the non-essential? The essentials are not always big and non-essentials are not always little—and essentials are not always remote and non-essentials near.—(Abridged).

Organization

MISS BESSIE MACMURCHY

THE organization department is the most vital force in the Society's work. The fostering of the spiritual forces of the members, along with their missionary instruction, are its foundation stones. A series of Bible studies, which will be helpful for the devotional part of meetings are to be prepared and will appear in the *Glad Tidings.* Some meetings through the year should be devoted to the study books: ''Couriers of the King'', ''Lands of Promise'', ''Love's Candles''. In these or in the *Glad Tidings* will be found helpful programmes. A meeting should be given to the study of the Annual report, and another to the *Glad Tidings.* Meetings so planned will give the knowledge necessary to arouse interest in the greatness of the missionary work which calls to the women, girls and children of the Church.

From one generation to another youth blazes the trail, and amongst the membership of the Society, the girls of to-day are setting a commendable example to their elders. The girls keep ''moving on.'' After the age of eighteen they are not allowed by the rules of the C.G.I.T., to remain longer within its fold, and the W.M.S. covets these graduates for their Young Women's Auxiliaries. Young Women's Auxiliaries should live up to their name, and when it is no longer applicable to its members they should strengthen the ranks of the Auxiliary by joining it. In many congregations it has been found a good plan to have an afternoon and an evening Auxiliary, so as to make the hours of meeting suit the convenience of the women of the congregation.

Officers and members of Provincials, Presbyterials, Auxiliaries and Y.W. Auxiliaries, are urged to read, mark, learn and carry out the instructions to be found in the Constitution. The following practical points are the result of experience and are commended to our members.

Questions and Answers

Q. Is it necessary for officers who do not wish re-election to resign at the end of the year?

A. All officers are elected for just one year, so at the end of the year all are out of office, therefore, no resignations are necessary. Each officer, however, is eligible for re-election.

Q. When a woman has had experience in an office until she knows the work and can do it well, is it not better to keep her in rather than to put in her place one who has the work to learn?

A. There are advantages in keeping the experienced woman in office, but the disadvantages outweigh them. A strong society requires among its members women of knowledge and experience who are able to shoulder responsibility and assume leadership. This knowledge and experience can best be gained through the actual work of the offices of the Society. If the same woman holds office year after year, the other members are being denied their right to gain experience and training, and the Society is robbed of the strength it might have. As a rule three years is long enough for *any* one to hold the same office. Care, however, should be taken that there be not too many changes in any one year.

Points for Auxiliary Annual Meetings

The Auxiliary By-laws read "The Annual Meeting shall be held in December." Preparation for same should begin long before the date set.

Have a Nominating Committee appointed at once (if not already elected at Annual Meeting of 1929) whose business it shall be to look about and procure the consent of members best fitted for each office. Have the Convener (already an officer) bring in a report to the Annual Meeting with a nominee for each office. Nominations from the floor must also be asked for. Should there be more than one name for any one office then a vote must be taken, preferably by ballot.

There is varied talent in every Auxiliary just waiting to be cultivated. This has been exemplified again and again in the last four years. Marvellous indeed has been the growth in information, enthusiasm and efficiency in these new recruits who have undertaken new responsibilities.

The duties of a Nominating Committee are arduous and it requires much thought, tact and persuasive powers but with the Master's leading and blessing the results are indeed far-reaching.

Do not get into a rut and above all things do not come to your Annual Meeting without a slate of officers ready to carry on with enthusiasm for the coming year.

In some cases annual meetings will be over and new officers will have taken up their duties. It is hoped that this article will be of help to them in planning their work and also to those whose duties in connection with Provincial and Presbyterial annual meetings are not yet complete.

"The past is a story told,
The future may be writ in gold."

A Good Recipe for a Happy New Year

"TAKE twelve fine, full-grown months. See that these are thoroughly free from all old memories of bitterness, rancor, hate and jealousy; cleanse them completely from every clinging spite; pick off all specks of pettiness and littleness; in short, see that these months are freed from all the past—have them as fresh and clean as when they first came from the great store-house of time. Cut these months into thirty or thirty-one equal parts. This batch will keep for just one year. Do not attempt to make up the whole batch at one time (so many persons spoil the entire lot this way), but prepare one day at a time as follows:

"Into each day put twelve parts of faith, eleven of patience, ten of courage, nine of work (some people omit this ingredient and so spoil the flavor of the rest), eight of hope, seven of fidelity, six of liberality, five of kindness, four of rest (leaving this out is like leaving the oil out of the salad—don't do it), three of prayer, two of meditation, and one well selected resolution. If you have no conscientious scruples, put in about a teaspoonful of good spirits, a dash of fun, a pinch of folly, a sprinkling of play, and a heaping cupful of good humor.

"Pour into the whole, love 'ad libitum' and mix with a vim. Cook thoroughly in a fervent heat, garnish with a few smiles and a sprig of joy; then serve with quietness, unselfishness and cheerfulness, and a Happy New Year is a certainty."

—The Home Forum, *Toronto Globe.*

At Brockville

CHINESE WORKERS CONVENTION

REV. D. A. SMITH

"DURING my long years of work among the Chinese I have prayed God that He give me one soul for my labor. He has given me that one, and I am happy."

Thus spoke one of the many teachers gathered together in annual convention at Brockville over Thanksgiving week-end, to discuss Chinese work in Canada. These words sum up the two needs most emphasized for more successful work—prayer, and personal individual ingathering.

"Our Chinese men's class is growing again," was a common expression in reports of classes. This growth was found to be due, in a large measure, to more aggressive visiting of the Chinese on the part of the teachers. It is also due to a new feeling of responsibility for attendance at classes on the part of the Chinese themselves, a condition brought about, for the most part, by the falling off of the anti-foreign feeling in China, which, in recent years, has been much reflected in Canada.

The work reported among the women, and particularly, the children, was shown to be most encouraging.

Considerable private teaching of Chinese in Canadian homes is carried on in districts where no organized classes exist. These contribute largely to the work, but are hard to estimate.

Here are three incidents that are worth recording. They speak for themselves.

The difficulty of church and class attendance on the part of the Chinese, because of the nature of their work, has led one Christian Chinese proprietor at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. each Sabbath day to turn his radio to a sermon for the benefit of his customers. He also shuts off all jazz music that day.

In one Sunday School a prize was offered for Scripture memory work. One Chinese child in due course won a Bible. The other Chinese boys and girls having heard of this set to work and six more Bibles had to be presented ten days later.

In a certain public school recently the teacher asked a class of forty how many of them knew the Ten Commandments. Some said they knew them, but only one pupil was able to recite them through. He was a Chinese.

An outstanding feature of the Convention was the large part taken by the Chinese. Mr. George Mark, the first Chinese to hold the office of President, acted as chairman. Three Chinese ladies contributed songs. The Chinese Consul-General addressed the gathering on matters of moment to the Chinese in Canada. He praised the work done by the Churches for his countrymen; pointed out the immigration discrimination shown against them; and made a plea for better understanding. Some seven other Chinese gave addresses, or took part in the discussions, thus establishing the Convention's policy of introducing more and more the Chinese viewpoint.

A new feature this year, and one which contributed much toward the success of the Convention, was the holding of a Communion Service.

The death of a Chinese woman, long resident in Brockville, and whose daughters are members of the local church, added a very solemn touch to the meeting. The Christian funeral was marked by the sincere expression of sympathy shown by the residents of Brockville.

A welcome visitor, and one who made a great contribution by his inspiring addresses, was Mr. J. A. McMillan, for many years in Chinese work in Toronto, and now engaged in mission work in the Philippine Islands.

Much of the Convention's success was due to the painstaking efforts of Miss Davies, of Brockville.

The Convention is to be held in Knox Church, Toronto, next year.

Books Old and New

BY LEREINE BALLANTYNE

"TO-DAY, dear friends, we stand upon the verge of the unknown. There lies before us the new year and we are going forth to possess it. Who can tell what we shall find? What new needs shall arise? But here is the cheering, comforting, gladdening message from our Heavenly Father, 'The Lord thy God careth for it.' 'His eyes are upon it away to the ending of the year.' All our supplies are come from the Lord. If He be the Source of our mercies they can never fail us."

The above excerpt is taken from STREAMS IN THE DESERT, a delightful book with a page given to inspirational reading for each day of the year. There is a poem also for each day, and through all runs a confidence and faith that is worth much to catch and hold, and we recommend no better medium than this new book, which sells for $1.50. The size is 5½ inches by 7½ inches.

DAILY LIGHT ON THE DAILY PATH is a pocket size book of daily readings from January to December containing selections from the Bible. There is no verse only prose in these little books; their size is 3 inches by 4 inches, and the prices are— cloth $1.00, leatherette $1.50, real leather $2.00.

BY MY SPIRIT, by Jonathan Goforth, D.D. Everyone will be eager to see this new book by our own beloved missionary. It is written in an interesting style, and gives much of the life work of this great missionary. We are anticipating a heavy sale of this book, and have ordered accordingly. Price per copy in cloth, $1.25.

We have a few copies left of "The Story of the Hymns and Tunes" by Brown and Butterworth. This book contains 600 pages of interesting information on the old hymns. Reg. $2.25 for $1.75.

MORE HYMN STORIES by Carl F. Price, sells for 75c.

We are now selling STORIES FROM FORMOSA at 75c. and recommend it to all interested in this section of our work.

LEARNING ABOUT JAPAN is a little book of programmes and suggestions for Auxiliaries or young people of any age studying or wishing to learn something about this interesting country. Price 35c.

YOUTH IN THE WORLD SERVICE is a useful little book in paper binding for club leaders, girls groups, etc., covering the call of youth, youth's ideals, leadership, etc. Price each, 35c.

A few copies of our Christmas books are left on the shelves.

WITH DOG AND CANOE
THE WAY TO BURNING MOUNTAIN
LEFT ON THE LABRADOR

By Dillon Wallace, are the three titles we have substituted for the Dr. Luke of the Labrador, and we are selling these two dollar books, for 75c. each.

BEAUTIFUL JOE the favorite dog story by Marshall Saunders comes in a nice cloth edition at $1.00.

MISSIONARY GEMS for Juniors is a splendid book of recitations, programmes, etc., for Mission Bands or junior classes. Dialogues and missionary ideas are well worked out. Paper bound, 35c.

ROYTON MANOR by Caroline Atwater Mason is the story of a young woman who desired to know Christ and through carrying her cross strove to attain that perfect understanding, and wins out eventually, by faith and prayer. Special price, 75c.

THE GOLDEN MIRAGE by Merton L. Harris a new book just received dealing with the gripping effect the finding of oil has upon a little community. All the intrigue, excitement and speculation following in the wake of such a find is unfolded between the strands of a love story, nicely complicated. Bound in cloth, $2.00.

THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN IMMIGRANT IN CANADA by Robert England, M.C., is an analysis of one of our great problems—Canadianization. The author being an authority on this subject many of our people interested in this problem will welcome this book both for its sensible treatment of the subject, and the valuable statistics given. Price, $2.00.

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This Canada of Ours, and the Lands of Sunrise are 10 cents each.

OUR LETTER BOX

Hospital Aids and the Good They Do

"Rolland M. Boswell" Hospital,
Vegreville, Alta.

AUGUST 7, 1929.—"Mrs. Reid told us to get all the paint we needed, and the 'Hospital Aid' would pay for it. Arthur (the orderly) stained all the floors in the nurses' home a light oak. The home looks so nice since. We stained both public wards dark oak.

The Hospital Aid put new blinds in the office, and public wards, and new curtains throughout the hospital, and are going to put up new steps."

September 9, 1929.—"Our Hospital Aid meet to-day at the home of one of our Jewish members. They are going to vote on buying a frigidaire. We have to get our ice from Edmonton, and the freight charge alone is $55. The water is not yet piped to the hospital but we hope soon to have it. It will be such a comfort not to be melting snow, and hauling water like other years."

October 7, 1929.—"You will be pleased to know that we are using the city water now. There is great force to it, very different to the small stream we used to get out of our taps. We have our meter in, and will know by next month what the water will cost us. We have our lovely frigidaire in our kitchen. It cost $540. It is such a comfort to have it, and not to have to pay freight on ice from Edmonton. All our ice will cost us now will be a few dollars a month for electricity. Our fruit shower and tea is next Saturday. We are all hoping to get a good supply of fruit. It means so much to us. All patients can have fruit, and we use a great deal of it. We certainly have wonderful workers in our Aid. Arthur is painting the kitchen a blue grey, it will look so nice when it is finished, with our lovely white frigidaire."

November 7, 1929.—"We received one hundred quarts of fruit and two boxes of apples at our fruit shower. The Hospital Aid made about $25.00 at their tea. Fruit was so very expensive this year, that we did not do up as much, and I do not think we got quite as much in our shower as other years. Our fruit shower from the east will be very welcome this year.

The teachers' convention for this district meets in Vegreville. The Hospital Aid are serving the refreshments at their banquet. The teachers are paying them so much for each person and the Aid expect to make about fifty dollars.

We have a little orphan girl here now. She is eleven years old, and she just told us that she never had a doll in her life. She is a nice little girl, and I'm afraid had a very poor life. Miss Brown gave her a nice picture book to keep, and she was so pleased. She has a doll now also."

—(*Miss*) *A. L. McPherson.*

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"Hugh Waddell" Memorial Hospital,
Canora, Sask.

"The Hospital Aid tea, sale of home cooking and fowl supper passed off well. The ladies raised about $250. It happened to be a night that the Masonic Lodge was having an affair, so they came across to us for their supper. They had a splendid time and we made a nice little sum out of it. We ordered fourteen mattresses last night. A pretty good fall's work for the Aid, I think."

—(*Miss*) *M. W. Cuddy.*

Field Secretary's Report

"I SPENT three weeks in Glengarry Presbyterial. From there I went to Sherbrooke for a sectional meeting, which was quite encouraging, then on to Quebec City where we had an afternoon and evening session, both of which were pretty well attended. I also spent an afternoon with the new Presbyterial officers living in Quebec City. I am delighted with their attitude. They have set out to study the constitution. They seemed very much in earnest and I feel sure results are ahead. I spent over three days there, then came up to a sectional meeting at Rockburn in the frontier district of this Presbyterial, where they want the new Presbyterial. They have never before had sectional meetings here and it was a revelation to some of the Presbyterial officers who were present. Every place but one was represented, and the discussion which followed the reports was so spontaneous and earnest it created surprise. Every one felt it had been a huge success, and was voted to be an annual gathering. My next appointment was at Spencerville, in the Brockville Presbyterial, on the 10th."

—*(Miss) P. B. Lamont.*

The Jobat Hospital and the Nurses' Home

"Rokeby", Landour.

"YOU asked me how many nurses and helpers in general I have in the Jobat hospital. Up to the present, I have had one girl who had a little training in a babies' home. She is the wife of our evangelist, Jigio, and is really quite good and adapts herself well. Then I have just engaged a graduate nurse from the Women's Hospital in Jhansi. She is a very bright girl who has just taken second place in a class of forty-two. Our hospital work is increasing very rapidly. When Dr. Draper wrote last there were eighteen in-patients and between sixty-six and seventy out-patients. Not only is there an increase in patients but the interest is growing and people come and ask to be prayed with.

In the hospital there is one big ward where we could put about twelve patients. We keep it entirely for Bhils, as they are so accustomed to being in the open air that if we put them in a small room they would not remain with us for any time. Our big ward seems to be the 'hub' and from it we have, on each side, three small rooms. I have tried putting two patients in a room but it is most unsatisfactory as their caste usually interferes and then so many of the relatives come with the patients that every available space is taken up. Off the waiting room we have three more small rooms and one large room in which I can put three beds. Altogether our space is limited. There are no extra rooms for anything. One little room which I was using for linen is now used by Dr. Draper for his office. Later on I hope we will be able to have a line of wards for maternity cases. Some one asked me the other day if I could really pick up one of these colored babies and love it as I would a white baby. I thought for a minute and said, 'Yes, after I have bathed it.' All my Jobat babies are adorable.

My problem now is to know just where I am going to put the nurse to live. Miss Robson has suggested sending a woman from Amkhut who can take care of Mainabai's baby when she is in hospital and act as chaperone for my nurse. We can't have single girls alone, and until the Nurses' Home is in existence we must plan as best we can. It will not be possible to do anything about my nurses' training class until the Home is ready for the girls.

The W.M.S. bungalow is progressing very well. It is with pleasure that I look forward to going 'home'. The medical staff can not look after the Christian community and do the follow-up work of patients who have been in hospital. Mr. McDonald has a hall in the bazaar and on bazaar days, and Sunday evenings, it is more than packed, people bring their own benches and chairs and sit outside. They listen so very attentively too. We not only want to run a hospital in Jobat, but to see these dear people brought to the feet of Jesus.'' —*Isabel McConnell.*

Firstfruits in Jobat

India.

"THIS is the Sabbath day and we have just returned from our morning service in the out-patient room of the hospital. We were crowded for space, but our hearts went up to God in praise and glory for the victory we had this morning, for some are considering very seriously being baptized.

Two weeks ago a Bhillala and a Hindu asked to be received. To-day we had the joy of seeing six receive baptism on profession of their faith in Christ Jesus. As these are the very first from these parts, we feel sure that the time spent in prayer and in teaching is now bearing fruit.

It may be of interest to know that those who came in were working on the W.M.S. bungalow, and were under Mr. McDonald's supervision and teaching for many months. There were three men and one woman whose son is a very hopeful lad of about twenty years of age. The other two are a man and his son, a boy of fifteen, whom we may be able to help educate in the Amkhut school.

Dr. Draper has performed many wonderful operations, one of the most successful being on this lad's ear. Another interesting case was that of a lad of sixteen who fell from a mango tree four months ago. His legs were so badly mangled one wondered if he would ever have the use of them. To-day he walks about and also takes an interest in our message. We hope he and his sister may come, also a very bright woman and her son who have been on this work for many months. We feel certain that you at home have been faithful in bearing up those of us whom you have sent as ambassadors to India.

The Christian women on the compound have had the opportunity of a daily Bible class and have also been taught sewing. Several have learned to use the sewing machine which is a novelty to them. We hope soon to start a Sunday School for the children.''

—*(Mrs. D. E.) Myrtle McDonald.*

Unexpected Opportunities for Service

Gwalior Mission, Jhansi.

''DR. EARNEST interviewed me this morning, she is very, very grateful to you for loaning me for a little while, and she is going to do all she can to make it comfortable and nice for me while I am here, at the same time making it possible for me to get all the experience I can in that time. My language will not be interrupted. I will have my pundit there each day and will get ready for my examination next spring. Miss Stringer and Miss Whatling go for their orals next week, so they are very busy studying.

There is not so very much sickness in Jhansi just now. I have been having from 15 to 20 patients in the dispensary each day, but a good many of them were our school boys and nothing much wrong with them, but they like it much better me treating them than having the house master apply ointment to their sores, etc.

I hope when I return from the hospital I will be better equipped for the work here. I am to do some dispensary work there too, with a doctor, so I will get to know how to run a dispensary in India.''

—*Lily Simpson.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggested Programme for January

For those Auxiliaries who are making a more detailed study of ''From Jerusalem to Jerusalem'' the following suggestions are given: 1. *Devote two minutes to a map study.* Show how eastern Europe was evangelized from Constantinople as a centre; how western Europe was evangelized from Rome. 2. *Have a chart* with two lists, one giving the missionaries who went from Constantinople, the other, those who went from Rome pp. 82-105. 78 - 11 - X. 3. *Missionaries of Eastern Church.* Have six women repeat in the first person the substance of paragraphs about Ulfilias, Severius, Cyril, Methodius, Olga, Vladimir (pp. 83-89). 4. *Missions from Rome.* Have an assembly of nations and ask a representative from each nation to tell when or by whom her people were won to Christianity: France, pp. 90-91; England, pp. 92-97; Ireland, Holland, Germany, Scandinavia, emphasizing where possible the work of women (pp. 98-105). The leader might close the exercise by reading paragraph on pp. 105.

Close the meeting by reciting the hymn of St. Patrick, page 107, the Society joining in repeating the second verse, and the Prayer of Columbanus, p. 107, by the presiding officer.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

AT THE PORTAL OF THE NEW YEAR

HAVE you ever stood at the door of a strange house, waiting for it to be opened, and wondered what the house was like, and what the people were like? Perhaps you could see into the hall, and you tried to guess where each of the doors opened into. But you could not really know what the rooms were like until you came into them, could you? The New Year is very like that house. You stand tip-toe and try to see what it holds for you. Perhaps you can see some of the things that are sure to happen but ever so many adventures are hidden at first, for you to find as you go along. The New Year is different, too, from the house, because so much of what it holds for you depends on you yourself. One of the greatest treasures a year has to offer is friendship —friendship with those about you, friendship with people of other lands and ages, friendship with God—yet you can only gain this treasure by seeking to be a friend, by reading and trying to know about the people you cannot see, by prayer and worship. You can do more than anyone to make 1930 a Happy New Year for yourself—and may it be a very, very happy one!—*Winifred Yuill.*

The Christian Endeavor Society in Tamsui

"*Dear Canadian Girls:—*

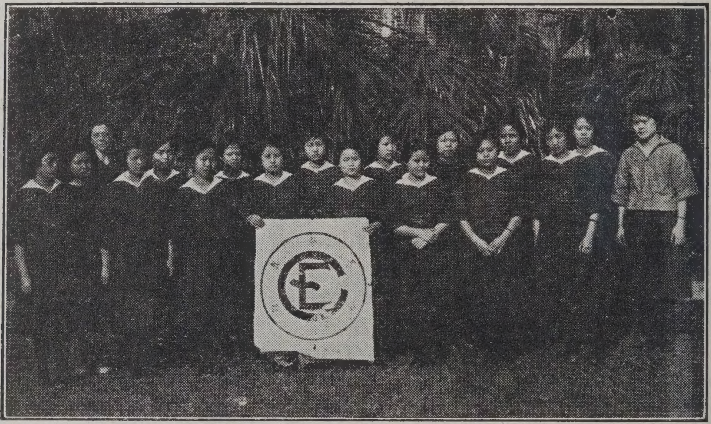
IT is the custom in all the schools of Formosa to take the children to see places of interest. These may be noted either for their natural beauty or their educational value. Almost every term they make one of these expeditions either to see another school or to visit a factory where they can find out how different things are made, or sometimes they go to see some place well known for its beauty.

This term our pupils in Tamsui Girls' School climbed the mountain on the opposite side of the river, which is named after the Goddess of

Mercy. The first part of our journey was by train to a small village not far from Tamsui. Here we got boats to take us across the river and as there were about one hundred of us it took almost an hour to get everyone over.

We walked some distance before we began the actual climb and for some time the road led over several large knolls covered with graves. They were dug out of the side of the hill with stone slabs at the head, some of which were much decorated. Soon we came to small hills with the mountain towering in front of us, and it was almost two hours before we encountered a very steep ascent.

This large crowd of girls, in school uniforms and hats, accompanied by English women, naturally created some excitement among the country people. At last we came to the stone steps which marked the final stage in our journey. This, however, was the hardest of all for there must have been about five hundred of them and we seemed to be going straight up. But at almost regular intervals along the way we found pleasant resting places like small pavilions. The Japanese have a happy custom of providing these along the road approaching places of special interest. After this long difficult climb we came to a Buddhist temple built in honor of the Goddess of Mercy.



The active members of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Girls' School, Tamsui, with Miss Claizie, the Principal.

The temple itself is quite an ordinary building except for the room in which the idols are kept. In a large alcove in the centre of this room is a golden image of the Goddess whose distinguishing feature is the many pairs of hands extended in mercy to help those who worship her. There are also many smaller and less important idols as well as hundreds of ornately carved tablets which people have placed there as a habitation for the spirits of their departed ancestors and they come here to worship. There were long low benches covered with red silk on which the priests kneel during their times of meditation. We were also interested in the large bells which call them to their different duties.

These priests were very hospitable, giving the freedom of the rooms and grounds in which to eat our lunch and providing an abundance of hot tea for us.

There was a magnificent view. In front we looked out over the top of many smaller hills with valleys between and through a narrow opening we could see the Taihoku plain with its green rice fields and the higher mountains far away on the other side. Behind us the mountain seemed to rise straight up covered with grass and shrubs of all kinds.

After a pleasant rest in this beautiful spot we began the return journey and I think we were all thankful that we were going down those steps and did not have to climb them again that day. We took a different road which made it more interesting and, in about two hours, we were again at the river. This time we were able to get one large boat which would accommodate everyone, after a fashion, to take us to Tamsui.

When we started, the boatmen promised to take us to our destination in one hour but the wind went down and the tide began to come in and it was three hours before we finally landed. Everyone was very tired but made the best of the situation and there were few complaints. But for several days one might have observed that we all walked with great care.

There is, however, another side to school life. The girls receive a splendid academic education and really study very hard; but the most important thing is the Christian training which they receive. Many come in from heathen homes and have never heard of God and His redeeming love but few, if any, go out after four years who do not believe.

I would like to tell you of the Christian Endeavor Society in the school. The pupils and teachers meet every Monday afternoon as soon as the classes are over. Every girl attends the meetings and often takes some part such as announcing a hymn, reading a short passage of scripture or leading in prayer. The active members are all Christian girls and they take turns in leading the meetings following the Christian Endeavor topics which are published in China. They also attend to certain duties such as carrying flowers to the church on Sunday morning and playing the organ for the religious services in the school, also they look after the missionary meeting which is held every term. Last term it was held on the World's Day of Prayer and it was a very inspiring service. It was very gratifying that so many of the girls led in prayer.

This term, Mrs. Koa, the President of the Formosa W.M.S., was invited to give an outline of the growth and work of that Society.

The future growth of the Kingdom depends so much on the mothers in the homes that we desire to give these girls such a training in the school as will send them out worthy to fill this important place, and to realize their own responsibility in the community as well as in the home for making Christ known. It is a most encouraging work and many who have gone out from the school are truly endeavoring to do this.

Is there not one among those who read this who will volunteer to come and help carry on this work?'' —*Dorothy C. Douglas.*

Prayer

ETERNAL Father, who by Thy great love hast called us into fellowship with Thyself, through Jesus Christ our Lord, we come unto Thee with thanksgiving for all Thy blessings. We thank Thee for the way Thou hast sustained and guided us, for the patience that has borne with our weaknesses and the love that has redeemed us from sin. We are unworthy of Thy mercies, but through the merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, do we come unto Thee. O Thou God of all grace, we pray that as we face the opportunities of another year Thou wouldst give us grace to seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness. Cleanse our hearts and lives and fill us anew with Thy spirit. Open our eyes that we may get a new vision of Jesus Christ; open our ears that we may hear the call of the millions who know Him not; open our hearts and touch our wills that we may respond to that call by laying our all at Thy feet. We beseech Thee to bless our Church in all her interests; may the boys and girls early learn to know Thee. May the young people consecrate their lives to Thee. May all who bear responsibility bring glory to Thy name. O Thou God of all power, we thank Thee for those of many lands whom Thou hast brought out of darkness into Thy marvellous light, and for the testimony of Thy servants by whom the love of Christ has been made known. May Thy richest blessing rest upon them. The fields are white already to harvest, we pray Thee Lord that Thou wouldst send forth more laborers, that the name of Jesus may be known to the ends of the earth. In His name we make our petitions. Amen.

MISSION BANDS

A NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

Dear Boys and Girls:

A HAPPY NEW YEAR to you all! This year, 1930, you will be studying about our work in Canada and other lands.

In one of the overseas countries — China — at New Year, the people, old and young, wish each other "New Happiness". The women and children dress in their very best clothes and wear bright colored flowers in their hair, the boys pin theirs on their coats. They call on their friends and give presents of good things to eat. The children love New Year's Day as you love our glad Christmas and the celebration lasts three days.

In Japan, New Year's Day is everybody's birthday. If a baby comes to a home two days before New Year's Day, he or she is counted as one year old until next New Year. The children are allowed to play in special yards that day and their favorite game is battle-dore and shuttle-cock. Then, too, they receive and give gifts.

One cause for thankfulness for us all at this glad time is, that now, in thousands of Christian homes in those two countries, as well as other countries, the people have "cast their idols all away" and now give thanks to God for His great gift, Jesus their Saviour.

My New Year's wish is that the Mission Band members as Candles of Love will let your light shine brightly at home, at school, at play, when you meet to pray, study, give and work that the Gospel Light may shine on the children of the world. —*Laura A. Dill.*

One Brave Little Member

Ten little members sitting in a line,
One dropped out and then there were nine.

Nine little members coming in late,
One got excused and then there were eight.

Eight little members by command of heaven,
One forgot his duty and then there were seven.

Seven members found themselves in a fix,
'Cause one didn't pay, then there were six.

Six little members, all of them alive,
One moved away and then there were five.

Five little members felt right heartsore,
One got discouraged, and then there were four.

Four little members, all officers, you see,
But the president resigned, and then there were three.

Three little members wondered what they should do,
One said she ''didn't know,'' and then there were two.

Two little members felt all undone,
One went away crying and then there was one.

One little member stood all alone,
But she didn't feel discouraged, and she didn't moan;
She just went to work with a will and a way,
And she worked right along from day to day.

Until she had won every member back;
And the fund in the treasury did not lack,
For of boys and girls there were always a plenty,
And instead of ten, they now number twenty.

And you, little member, and you and you,
Can do what this one little member did do,
If you work and pray from day to day
And never get discouraged and stay away.
—*The Children's Missionary.*

This would make an excellent exercise for the children.—EDITOR

ANNUAL PROVINCIAL MEETINGS

British Columbia.—St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, February 13th and 14th.

Alberta.—Grace Church, Calgary, February 18th and 19th.

Saskatchewan.—First Presbyterian Church, Regina, February 25th and 26th.

Manitoba.—First Church, Winnipeg, March 5th and 6th.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

THE Mission Bands of the Edmonton P.S. held a splendid rally on October 26th in First Church, Mrs. James Adam, Presbyterial President, in the chair. One hundred and thirty responded to the roll call, twenty being adults. An excellent programme was presented by the Bands. Rev. Thos. Tait gave a short address.

The Synod of Alberta met in First Church, Edmonton, October 28th and 29th. Rev. G. M. Dunn, of Toronto, was present and delivered stirring addresses. Mrs. James Adam brought greetings from the W.M.S.

The W.M.S. of First Church, Edmonton, has now eight Honorary Members.

Mrs. F. W. Allott, of Calgary, Provincial President, spent a few days in Edmonton recently. Advantage of this was taken and a short meeting was held to discuss the work.

One of the most promising organizations in First Church, Edmonton, is the Wakotas Girls Club. It has a membership of thirty. Its work is along missionary lines. Miss Ina Tait is the leader.

Mrs. Robertson, of the Boys' School Home, Vegreville, writes, "There were seven present at our W.M.S. Thank-offering meeting. We have nearly finished reading the 'Royal Road,' Miss McRae is reading it to us. Another Junior membership and pin were presented at our Mission Band meeting. The children still speak of Dr. Buchanan and remember with pleasure the visit he paid them last year."

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. WM. CUTHBERT, 1820-5TH AVE., W. VANCOUVER, PRESS SECRETARY

AT the Provincial meeting of the W.M.S., held in Central Church, November 15th, an encouraging letter from Mrs. McLean, deaconess at large, was read. Her work takes her into the highways and byways of British Columbia and everywhere can be found those who need the sympathy and encouragement she so readily gives.

The W.M.S. of Central Church entertained the Mission Band on the occasion of its fourth birthday. A happy time was spent with the little ones.

The Mission Band of Livingstone Church had a special day at their last meeting. The Band was out in full force to greet Mrs. Ledingham, our Provincial President, who gave them a helpful talk on the work. Some of the mothers were also at the meeting. These young people are working under some difficulties, as they have no one to play their organ. But, nevertheless, they are to try to have some Christmas music learned in view of another special day.

On October 4th, Rev. Thos. Wilson gave a lecture on the life of Dr. Paton to the young people of Livingstone Church. He illustrated it by means of a lantern and it was very evident that they were deeply interested in the subject. They listened in silence to the very end. Miss Gordon, a member of the P.Y.P.A. sang a solo, after which, refreshments were served.

Fairview Church Auxiliary has re-commenced the fortnightly sewing meetings.

Our Chinese C.G.I.T., which is affiliated with the W.M.S., have pledged themselves to send five dollars to Missions this year. They have also made a quilt to be sent to China if possible. This brave little group of girls raised over sixty dollars to be used in the furnishings of the new Chinese Church.

MANITOBA

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MANITOBA Provincial held their semi-annual board meeting November 13th. Very encouraging reports were read and plans made for the winter's work. The annual meeting will be held March 3rd, 1930.

Brandon P.S.—In July, an interesting meeting was held at the farm home of Mrs. Jas. Hall, Neepawa. Mrs. Caldwell, of Winnipeg, was present. She gave a vivid outline of the conditions of the Orient at the present time, of the vast multitudes who are seeking the gospel, and stressed our duty as Christians to live close to the Master in order to hasten the coming of His kingdom.

A profitable afternoon was spent in Wellwood in August, Carberry Auxiliary was also present. Mrs. Flook, of St. John's Church, Winnipeg, gave a wonderful talk on "Lives Well Spent in the Service of the Master." It was an inspiration to all.

The Thank-offering meeting of Knox Church Auxiliary, Neepawa, was held Sunday evening, October 6th. Mrs. Coulter was the speaker and she outlined the work of the W.M.S., its aims and objects. At the regular meeting in October Mrs. Coulter gave a report of the Council meeting at Ottawa. The audience were spell-bound as they heard of the wonderful work done by the Council Executive under God's guidance. Neepawa feels very indebted to their minister for bringing into their midst one so capable, so sincere and so willing to serve her Master.

St. Andrew's W.M.S., Brandon, held their Thank-offering meeting in October. The President, Mrs. J. J. Cowan, led the devotions. This was followed by a solo by Sophie Jones and a reading by Tena Robbins, representing the Mission Band. Miss Bessie Turnbull, a returned missionary from India, gave a very interesting address. The offering was $45.75.

The Glen Souris Auxiliary held their Thank-offering on October 24th, with a good attendance. Mrs. Kerr was the speaker. The Mission Band delighted the audience with their items. The offering was $31.50.

Lenore W.M.S. held their Thank-offering in September. Miss Bessie Turnbull gave a splendid address. The offering was $20.00.

Superior P.S.—Mrs. Strachan, President of the W.M.S., spent Sunday, November 10th, in Fort William, the guest of Mrs. (Dr.) Strachan. She spoke in St. Andrew's Church in the morning and in

First Church, Port Arthur, in the evening. The addresses were very instructive, and all who listened were delighted with the message and also with our leader. Mrs. Strachan was returning from Kenora where she attended the opening of the new Indian Residential School.

ONTARIO

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ALGOMA P.S.—The death of Mrs. Robert Lang, Honorary President of the Presbyterial, on July 6th, is deeply regretted. Mrs. Lang organized the first Presbyterian W.M.S. in Sault Ste. Marie, and was the first President.

Barrie P.S.—Coldwater Auxiliary invited the other Missionary Societies of the town to take part in the programme of its Thank-offering. Mrs. Gosslyn, the pastor's wife, gave the address.

Allandale Thank-offering took the place of the prayer meeting. The pastor, Rev. N. Sinclair, was the speaker. The offering was generous.

Collingwood Auxiliary entertained their Home Helpers, when the Presbyterial President, Mrs. Swallow, Stayner, was the special speaker.

Sectional meetings were held at Port McNicoll, Guthrie, Oro, Bradford, and Duntroon, where great interest was manifested in missionary work.

Brockville P.S.—Miss P. B. Lamont has completed her week's itinerary in this section, which included Thank-offering meetings in Prescott, Fairfield, Lansdowne, Brockville and Caintown. Good results are expected from these meetings, as it is seldom the women of the outlying sections have an opportunity of hearing a speaker so familiar with the W.M.S. work as our Field Secretary.

The Presbyterial sectional meeting was held in St. Paul's Church, Winchester, October 24th, the President, Mrs. Wm. Johnstone, presiding. Discussions, papers, reports, and an address by our Field Secretary, Miss P. B. Lamont, featured the afternoon session. In conjunction with the evening session, St. Paul's Auxiliary held its annual Thank-offering when Miss Lamont spoke again, and Rev. D. MacOdrum, Brockville, outlined the work in the foreign fields, with particular reference to the Bhils.

The third sectional meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Spencerville, October 10th, the President, Mrs. Hunter, in the chair. Discussion followed papers on ''How may we strengthen the Weak Points of our Auxiliary,'' by Mrs. Armstrong; ''Christian Stewardship,'' by Mrs. Edwin Johnston, and ''How to Pray for Missions,'' by Mrs. Melville, Cardinal. Mrs. Riddell brought greetings from the Presbyterial and the chief address was given by Miss P. B. Lamont.

Bruce and Owen Sound P.S.—The "Sinclair Home Helpers" has been organized by Mrs. W. R. Sinclair, with 19 charter members, mostly former members of Chalmers' Church, Armow, now a minority group, worshipping with Knox Church, Tiverton.

Chatham P.S.—Mrs. Ritchie, Sarnia, was special speaker at Duart Auxiliary.

In the passing of the late Mrs. J. W. Peddie, of Windsor, on November 16th, not only the W.M.S., but St. Andrew's Church lost one of its loyal and earnest workers. She was a daughter of the late Alexander Bartlet, who was instrumental in opening, in 1853, the first mission church in Windsor, the present St. Andrew's Church. When the first Auxiliary was organized about 52 years ago, Mrs. Peddie was appointed Secretary and for many years she was its President—truly a life of devoted service to the Master.

Guelph P.S.—Mrs. J. G. Inkster, Toronto, delivered an address on "Thankfulness" at the Thank-offering meeting of Knox Church Auxiliary, Galt. The attendance numbered about 90. The offering amounted to $265.

The Auxiliary of Knox Church, Acton, invited the members of the Auxiliaries of the other churches to join with them in their Thanksgiving meeting. There was a good representation and an interesting programme.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, THE "MANSE", BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

QUEBEC P.S.—The Megantic section met in Scotstown, September 13th. Mrs. A. Murray, Milan, presided. There was a large representation from all the Auxiliaries of the section. Two very fine papers were read on "Prayer" and "Personal Consecration." A conference followed on the different departments of our work and the problems of the rural Auxiliaries. After many helpful suggestions had been made the discussion was closed by Mrs. Price, Sherbrooke.

The meeting for Sherbrooke section was held in St. Andrew's Church, Sherbrooke, September 21st, with representatives from Melbourne, Flodden and Sherbrooke. Mrs. A. Stalker, Windsor Mills, presided. After devotions, encouraging reports from all departments were read. Special mention might be made of work being done by the Welcome and Welfare department. In Flodden Auxiliary, the sick had been cared for; in Melbourne, several cases of need were investigated and, where necessary, clothing and quilts provided; in Sherbrooke, a child was outfitted and sent to Huntingdon School Home. Feeling that we were not making the use of our literature that we should, the literature department was taken up and ways and means of distribution were suggested. The speaker of the day was Miss Lamont, Field Secretary. Her address was practical as well as helpful. She offered many suggestions for the solution of the knotty problems which so often come up in our work.

A sectional meeting was held in St. Andrew's Kirk hall, Quebec City, while Miss Lamont was in the neighborhood. In the afternoon Miss Lamont spoke on Organization, Education and Inspiration. In the evening her address was given under three headings 1. Why Missions? 2. Why Women's Work? 3. The W.M.S. part in the whole work of the Church. Rev. A. M. Gordon, D.D., acted as chairman.

Another very helpful sectional meeting was held in Reid's Church, October 15th. Delegates were present from Adderley and Inverness Auxiliaries, some coming twenty-five miles. Mrs. Wm. Smith presided. An excellent address was given by Mrs. Jardine, Inverness, on ''Woman as a helpmate to man,'' in which she outlined what women could do in missionary work. A helpful conference period followed. Mrs. Gilmore, formerly a missionary in the West gave an address on Home Missions.

Young Women's Auxiliaries Hold District Rally at Huntingdon

A well attended and enthusiastic rally of the Young Women's Auxiliaries was held October 19th in St. Andrew's Church, Huntingdon, under the auspices of the Montreal Presbyterial. Mrs. J. Forbes Fowlie, Presbyterial Y.W. Secretary, presided, and members of all the Auxiliaries took part in the programme. Each Secretary read the report of her Auxiliary's activities, and all reported much work done and allocations being met.

Inspiring addresses were delivered by Dr. Maclean, minister of St. Andrew's Church, Huntingdon; Mrs. Gibson, Rockburn, district Vice-President; Miss Winifred Yuill, Girls' Work Secretary; and Mrs. J. W. Dougherty, Past President of Montreal Presbyterial. Mrs. Dougherty concluded her address with a stirring appeal for volunteers for mission work from among the Quebec young women.

Supper was served by the Huntingdon Auxiliary assisted by some Canadian Girls in Training in costume.

The Elgin Y.W. Auxiliary invited the Young People to hold the 1930 Rally in Elgin.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

MOOSE JAW P.S.—Knox W.M.S., Weyburn, held its Thank-offering meeting October 18th. The C.G.I.T. Groups and Mission Band put on a pageant entitled, ''Life in India and British Guiana.'' Lantern slides on the Gwalior Mission, India, were shown and a special programme of music provided.

The Pambrum congregation were privileged in having Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, speak to them on the work of the Presbyterian Church and the W.M.S. As few are fully acquainted with the work this was a most instructive and interesting address.

Delegates to the Synod which was held in Moose Jaw were the guests of the members of the Presbyterial Executive, Knox and St. Paul's W.M.S. Members of the session and managers of the two churches were also guests of the ladies.

At the annual Thank-offering of the W.M.S. of Knox Church, Moose Jaw, Miss Macarthur, deaconess-at-large in Regina, addressed the members. She outlined her work as deaconess at the port of entry, Quebec, and also told of the ''follow up'' work in connection with immigration. Miss Laura Pelton, Field Secretary, who was in the city on her way to Assiniboia, was a welcome visitor at the meeting.

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S.—The W.M.S. and ''Sunbeam'' Mission Band, of Coleville, held a joint Thanksgiving meeting. The children took charge of the programme.

Saskatoon.—St. Andrew's W.M.S. held their Thank-offering October 18th. An illustrated lecture on Formosa was given by Mrs. W. G. Brown. At the November meeting, Miss Violet Scott had charge of the programme. Members of the Home Helpers Department were entertained at the close of the meeting.

Miss Pelton and Mrs. Percy Hill were visitors at the October meeting of the Parkview Church W.M.S., giving messages on the Jerusalem Conference and the Council meeting respectively. At the Thank-offering Mrs. B. F. Johnson gave a paper on ''Chinese work in Canada.''

Regina P.S.—The sub-executive of the Provincial Society met at the home of Mrs. H. R. Horne, the President, November 25th, to discuss matters of Provincial interest, and to arrange for the annual meeting which will be held February 25th and 26th, in First Presbyterian Church, Regina. The following programme committee was appointed: Mrs. James McAra, Mrs. R. B. Ferguson and Mrs. E. G. D. MacEachern. Miss Laura Pelton and Miss Macarthur spoke briefly of their work in the province and Mrs. Walter Martin gave an interesting account of the work that is being accomplished, under her supervision, among the Chinese.

THANKSGIVING

God takes our Yesterdays, dim dim and old,
Touched with sorrow and sinning,
And gives to us, with a grace untold,
The new To-morrow, with dawn of gold—
Gives us the fresh beginning.

Jean Blewett.

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Correction

Stratford P.S.—In November issue, Life Membership, Miss A. Cully, Knox Aux., St. Mary's, should read—In Memoriam Subscription to Miss Gladys Webster, in memory of her aunt, Miss Ada Colley, presented by Knox Aux., St. Mary's.

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November 30th, 1929

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Indian School, Mistawasis	95.00
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Miscellaneous	135.33
Deputation	165.91
Administration	703.95
Education of two Chinese Girls	74.00
	$15,162.35

FINANCIAL SURVEY

Balance on hand October 31st, 1929	$61,903.95	
Receipts	32,415.80	
Disbursements		$15,162.35
Bank Balance		28,635.02
Pension Fund		5,415.79
Legacy Fund		5.775.41
Sustaining Fund		27,327.46
Bonds		10,180.00
Associated Treasurers, China		400.00
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Cash on hand		1,173.72
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Constitution—page 214—par. XXIV (a) should read—"The Nominating Committee shall consist of the Provincial President, Presbyterial Presidents, *or* their Corresponding Secretaries", etc.

Ontario

Chatham P.S.—page 133—Corr. Secty., Mrs. W. Aitchison, address changed from 510 Janette Ave., Windsor, to 233 Windermere Road, Walkerville.

Saugeen P.S.—page 164—Corr. Secty., Mrs. George Dodge, R.R. No. 4, Kenilworth.

Superior P.S.—page 168—new M.B. Secty., Mrs. J. A. McMahon, 167 Peter St., Port Arthur.

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Quebec P.S. — page 186 — Associate Societies — Lennoxville Women's League; St. Andrew's Ladies' Aid and St. Andrew's Fellowship Society, Sherbrooke.

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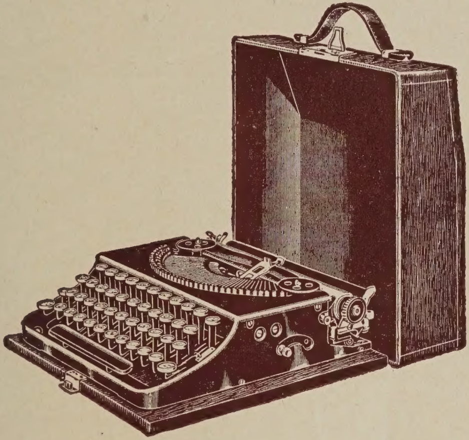

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"And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God." Luke 8:1.

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

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Editorial

"Evening and morning, and at noon will I pray
. . .and he shall hear my voice."—Psalm 55:17

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER will be observed on Friday, March 7th. On that day, those of all ages, of different races and nationalities, and of many communions, will unite, the wide world over, in a service praying that "Jesus may be lifted up." It has been said, "If we would use the prayer power that is ours, we need not be stressing budgets and apportionments—only suggesting needs." Let us, therefore, as Christian women, see that the meeting place is filled to capacity; and that copies of the programme are sent to shut-ins and those in hospitals and institutions that they too may share in the blessing of the observance. Remembering the remark of one girl, "I am so thrilled that we are going to have our own share in something so worth while that everybody is doing all around the world," leads us to urge that an effort be made everywhere to have the girls and young women—our successors—share in the inspiration of this Day of Prayer, either at the regular meeting or at a special gathering. Reports from many countries reveal something of the rich blessing, both to the missionaries for whom special prayer was made, and also for that large company of Christians old and young who share annually in this great world fellowship of prayer. According to our faith shall be the blessing this year.

WE WOULD DIRECT THE ATTENTION of our readers to the 1930 Estimates and to the Message on the Budget, by our Treasurer, to be found in this issue. Both will repay earnest thoughtful reading.

"MACKAY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL," Formosa, is well known to all W.M.S. women. In connection with this hospital there is a nurses' training school with some twenty pupil nurses taking the three years' course similar to that given in nurses' training schools in Canada. On the successful completion of this course, the hospital grants a diploma. This diploma, unfortunately, is not recognized by the Formosan Government. The Government, however, does have a midwifery diploma which is given to nurses who have taken a one year course in midwifery by an approved teacher, after taking a standard examination. Feeling that if our nurses could take such a course along with their training, they would have a very useful training and certificates of value, the consent of the W.M.S. having been obtained, application was made to the Government for permission to open such a training course for our nurses. Such things usually take at least a year to negotiate, but as Dr. Li of the Hospital was qualified to do the teaching and acceptable to the authorities, the application was granted in less than a month and the classes were started the first of November.

This year all the third year nurses together with some of the recent graduates, who want to take the course, are in the class. This makes ten students. This plan which has been put into effect means that the hospital can now offer a very attractive course to the Formosan girls and that on graduation they will be well equipped to go out in whatever section of the country they belong and take an important and remunerative position. It also enables the hospital to require higher standards of education, ability and character from those who desire to enter the Nurses' Training School.

The establishment of this course entails an extra expenditure of $375 per year, but we are sure that our members will agree with the Council Executive that the result will more than justify the increased estimate.

Speaking of this forward step, Dr. McClure also says, ''There has been nothing since I have come to the hospital that has put so much new life into the nurses' school as this course. . . . The morale of the whole establishment is up to peak now. . . .There are few mission hospitals anywhere that have any better standing in the eyes of the authorities than this hospital at present enjoys. Such a high esteem is due to the hard, thorough work that has been done over the past years that have built it up and won it the name that it now possesses.''

Dr. Alice L. Ernst, Superintendent of the Ackerman Hoyt Memorial Hospital, Jhansi, India, has sent the following official expression of thanks to our Board for loaning our nurse, Miss Lily A. Simpson, to their hospital.

''Our annual conference in session at Jhansi, November 23 to 27, voted that I should write to you and express our grateful thanks to your Board for the loan of your missionary, Miss Simpson, to the Nurses' Training School at Jhansi. This important department of the work here has been without a nursing Superintendent since Miss Cook left on furlough last March. . . . In our extremity we appealed to your local Council to let us have Miss Simpson, if only for four months, and with your Board's consent she came to us the middle of September. If she can be spared we should be more than thankful to keep her till this autumn, but your Council in Jhansi says this is impossible after the end of January, 1930. We are glad and thankful that she could come for this length of time, and appreciate your good will and help more than we can say. From the founding of your mission here by our dear friend, Dr. Wilkie, most cordial and mutually helpful relations have existed between us, and we are gratified that these relations still exist.''

MISS MACMURCHY goes as the speaker from the Council Executive to the Annual Meetings of the four Western Provincial Societies. The first convenes in Victoria, B.C., February 13th and 14th, the last in Winnipeg, March 5th and 6th.

THE MISSION BAND SECRETARY, Mrs. J. W. Dill, is very happy over the news that twenty-five Mission Bands were organized in Ontario last year, which was the objective they set for 1929.

THERE IS A NEW JOY in the hearts of two of our missionaries, for a little baby girl has been born to Rev. and Mrs. Earl Toombs, at Landour, India.

God, I need Thee.
When morning crowds the night away
And the tasks of waking seize my mind
I need Thy poise.

God, I need Thee.
When the path to take before me lies
I see it—courage flees—
I need Thy faith.

God, I need Thee.
When clashes come with those
Who walk the way with me,
I need Thy smile.

God, I need Thee.
When love is hard to see
Amid the ugliness and slime,
I need Thy eyes.

God, I need Thee.
When the day's work is done,
Tired, discouraged, wasted,
I need Thy rest.

—Howard Thurman.

The 1930 Budget For Our Women's Work

ON another page of this magazine you will find our Estimates for 1930. As you will remember, our Council at the annual meeting, last June, decided that the Estimate for 1930 should be $185,000. It has been most difficult to carry out that order, our work is growing so steadily and every department needs so much, both in renewed equipment and actual extension, that when your Finance Committee received the estimate from every department, the total was $197,000, just $12,000 too much!

This means many hours of work, cutting out $50 here, $100 there, etc., etc., until finally by using $3,000 (the Blair legacy) to complete the bungalow in the Gwalior Field, we are able to present to you a Budget of $185,000 as instructed.

We cannot say yet how our allocations for 1929 are going to be met, but up until the end of December, we were well ahead of last year. This does not necessarily mean that we are going over our Estimate, it does mean that our Treasurers have been responding splendidly to our request to have the money sent in every month as far as possible. We are hoping that there will be a good surplus, for if you remember, we added some very necessary expansion, mostly buildings, amounting to about $12,000 over our estimate of last year, to be undertaken if our receipts warranted it.

In studying the Estimates you will also notice that we have allocated over $6,000 for new missionaries. All these young girls are training in our Deaconess Home, fitting themselves thoroughly for work in the foreign field. If you could meet and talk with these young missionaries, you would be, as I always am, deeply impressed and very thankful.

I would like to refer to two questions which are very often asked by our members.

1. *If our allocation is exceeded, may we use the extra amount for some other work?*

   Answer.—No. All money given for the work of the W.M.S. must be used for that and nothing else. We always need far more than is budgeted for, therefore all you can raise is needed in our own Society.

2. *If we make a special effort and exceed our allocation why are we asked for more next year?*

   The answer to this question is very easy. Because our work is growing, and surely we are all glad to belong to a Society which is going ahead and increasing its usefulness, not standing still. Instead of objecting it seems to me we should return thanks to our Heavenly Father for His great goodness to us, in blessing and prospering our work.

In asking an increase from our Auxiliaries, we do not ask larger gifts from our members, but, greater effort in bringing in new members, and so enlarging the knowledge and interest in the work.

When we have that there will be no difficulty in raising the necessary funds to carry it on.

(MRS. R. C.) S. B. DONALD,
Treasurer.

The World Day of Prayer

In presenting the record of last year's Day of Prayer and the programme for this year, I would like to commend the observance of this World Day of Prayer to our members and ask for the co-operation of all. Prayer is one power which we all possess, whether high or low, rich or poor, whether in city or country, or of whatever nationality. How much greater that power when, on one day, at one hour, Christian women around the whole world unite in one common supplication "That Jesus may be lifted up."

I hope that our Presbyterian women throughout Canada, our young women and the girls of our various young people's organizations will avail themselves of this opportunity and unite with women of all denominations in publicly presenting the petition "That Jesus may be lifted up." Should anything prevent attendance at this public observance I trust that each in her appointed place will join silently with the thousands the world over who are uniting in this common supplication.

Helen M. Strachan,
President W.M.S.

THE DAY AND ITS OBSERVANCE IN 1929

INCREASINGLY this Day is being observed until now it can be truly stated that it is a World Day of Prayer. It had its beginnings on this North American Continent, and Canada had a worthy share in its establishment. On January 9th, 1920, the Dominion-wide Inter-denominational Day of Prayer was instituted in Canada. That same year we find in the United States that the Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America and the Council of Women for Home Missions, which had previously held separate prayer meetings, came together. Thus simultaneously in our two lands there was this drawing together of different Communions and Boards. Two years later the Mission Boards of Canada were approached by the women of the United States and asked if we could not unite our Days and thus make not only an inter-denominational but an international Day of Prayer possible. This was done and on March 3rd, 1922, the first Day of Prayer was held in these two countries of North America. The information going out through our magazines and to the missionaries in all lands brought immediately a response and a desire to share the Day, and thus the movement grew.

How world-wide the movement has become is evidenced by the following list of countries in which it was observed on February 15th, 1929:—

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Poland
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Hawaii

''It is becoming literally true that through prayer 'the whole round earth' is being bound by gold chains about the feet of God.''

How interesting to read that in Persia the Day of Prayer was observed by the Armenians, Hebrews, Zoroastrians, Assyrians, Moslems, and Americans, ''all one now in Christ Jesus.'' In one section of China the following nationalities gathered to pray, in addition to the Chinese, English, Germans, Norwegians, Swedes, and Americans. In British Guiana, Negroes, East Indians, Portuguese, Canadian, English, and American. Not only a World Day of Prayer, but a Day of Prayer observed by World Christians. From New Zealand came this inspiring message, ''As we took part in the world-wide bond of prayer, we felt we were one with the great unseen army of intercessors in all lands, who are part of the same great human family, whose need is God.'' From Africa— ''Consciousness that they were an integral part of the praying women of the world. . . . made them forget themselves in the thought that they were one with all God's children, praying for the selfsame things, saying the same words, singing the same hymns. The day brought blessings to each of us.''

Then the offerings. First of all, they were so varied. In India they often included not only money but live chickens, some grain, peanuts, Kaffir corn, eggs, etc. But the world friendship evidenced was truly inspiring. In the Philippines their offerings went for work in Africa, and it was stated that they wanted the folks there to know that it was a joy to give and that this money was only a token of the love and interest for their work which was born in their hearts on the World Day of Prayer. In India the gift was for work in Thibet and in Sierra Leone, it was for the support of a girl in their own community, who had not the wherewithal to secure an education without help of the Christian women, that called forth their gifts.

Translations. It is thrilling to consider the number of tongues into which the Programme was translated, all speaking the language of love and fulfilling that prophecy of the seer on the Isle of Patmos " . . . . . for thou wast slain and hath redeemed us to God . . . . out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation."

From China and Japan came two striking messages. At one centre in China a continuous service from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. was held, "We had some big problems to bring to God" they said. Surely China will win through all her difficulties and problems when there is being produced a womanhood which rests these problems with God. Japan, of course, is the Sunrise Kingdom and it greatly impressed the Christian women there taking part in a world movement, that they of Japan really had the privilege of leading off in the world's chain of prayer which from the rising of the sun until the going down the whole wide world was a continuous offering from the hearts of womanhood of all races and tongues.

In Canada the Day has grown in scope as well as increasing observance. The women of all races in our midst more and more have been drawn into this fellowship, and those who had the privilege of attending meetings where prayers were offered in other tongues, felt the beauty and joy of this comradeship.

Another interesting fact with reference to the observance of the Day in Canada, is that on the frontier so many small meetings were held in the homes. From our Cathedral churches of the cities to the little new home on the plain, in towns and villages and rural communities, the Day was observed with increasing interest and power. Our offering too has shown increase and this year it was possible to make the following gifts to Christian literature and inter-denominational schemes in which all our Woman's Boards are interested—

Christian Literature for Moslems....................	$ 75.00
Christian Literature for Women and Children of non-Christian lands	150.00
Christian Literature Society of Japan................	100.00
Christian Literature Society of India through Rev. Wm. Paton, International Missionary Council..........	250.00
Special gift to North India Christian Tract and Book Society, for the publication of Bible Dictionary...	25.00
Canadian Bible Society..............................	100.00
Canadian School of Missions, maintenance............	100.00
Canadian School of Missions, special building and furnishing fund	500.00
	$1,300.00

From out the Jerusalem Conference came a great emphasis upon the importance of Christian Literature. To quote, ''It is generally recognized and admitted that this is the most neglected part of the missionary enterprise. . . . . The need for literature, both for the rapidly growing indigenous churches, and for the vast number of literate non-Christians, is enormous, and is destined to increase greatly during the present decade. . . . . The greater intelligence of both Christians and non-Christians, due to the marked recent expansion of the educational movement, both governmental and missionary, calls for a Christian literature far better in quality than that which now exists, and this, in turn, requires the services of more of the best-furnished scholars, thinkers, and writers.''

Miss Helen Kim, of Korea
Who prepared the main draft of the World Day of Prayer Programme.

We are grateful that through our World Day of Prayer offerings we are helping the great cause of Christian literature, as evidenced in the financial statement published.

The programme this year is of special interest for the main draft was prepared by Miss Helen Kim, an oriental Christian. Miss Kim is Dean of Women, Ehwa Haktang College, Seoul, Korea, and came to this school when a very little girl. A scholarship was secured for her and this, together with her own self-help through such work as ringing the bell for prayers, classes and meals, provided for her board and room. She was graduated from Ehwa High School; took her post-graduate in Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio. She was a delegate to the Pacific Relations Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii, and to the Jerusalem Conference. We believe that the women of Canada will have special joy in observing the World Day of Prayer this year on March 7th, 1930, and will rejoice particularly that their thoughts and worship are led through a programme from out the East. It is truly a World Day of Prayer with a programme prepared by a World Christian.

EFFIE A. JAMIESON,
Secretary, Inter-Board Committee of The
Women's Missionary Societies of Canada.

N.B.—After all necessary expenses have been deducted the balance should be forwarded to the Treasurer of The Inter-Board Committee of The Women's Missionary Societies of Canada, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, 122 South Drive, Toronto.

THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER PROGRAMME

MARCH 7th, 1930

THAT JESUS MAY BE LIFTED UP

SILENT MEDITATION AND PRAYER. (Hymns may be played softly).

Leader:—As we participate in this fellowship of prayer let us remember that this year of our Lord, 1930, marks the 1900th Anniversary of Pentecost.

CALL TO PRAYER:—Jesus said, ''And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.'' It is almost two thousand years since these words were uttered, but all men have not yet been drawn to Him. Let all Christians come humbly before God in confession, thanksgiving and prayer that we may be taught and strengthened to lift Him up more prominently than ever before in our lives.

HYMN:—''All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!'' Tune, Coronation.

Leader:—Christ Jesus. . . . being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God; but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. . . . There is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.—Phil. 2: 6-8; Isa. 53: 4-5; Acts 4: 12; Phil. 2: 9-11.

HYMN:—''Crown Him With Many Crowns.'' Tune, Diademata.

JESUS ANSWERS EVERY NEED

Leader:—''We find in Christ, and especially in His cross and resurrection, an inexhaustible source of power that makes us hope when there is no hope. . . . We believe that men are made for Christ and cannot really live apart from Him.''

''We believe in a Christlike world. We know nothing better, we can be content with nothing less.'' Messages, Jerusalem Meeting, 1928.

Response:—My soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is.—Psalm 63:1.

Leader:—In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried saying, "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink."—John 7:37.

Response:—Blessed are they which do hunger . . . after righteousness; for they shall be filled.—Matt. 5:6.

Leader:—Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger.—John 6:35.

Response:—We wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness.—Isa. 59:9.

Leader:—Then spake Jesus unto them saying, I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.—John 8:12.

Response:—The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores.—Isa. 1: 5-6.

Leader:—Jesus said unto them, They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick. . . . I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.—Lu. 5:31; John 10:10.

Response:—Mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.—Psalm 38:4.

Leader:—Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.—Matt. 11:28.

Response:—All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way.—Isa. 53:6.

Leader:—I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. . . . I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick.—John 10:11, Eze. 34:16.

Response:—Show me thy ways O Lord; teach me thy paths. Lead me in thy truth, and teach me.—Psalm 25: 4-5.

Leader:—Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth and the life.—John 14:6.

Response:—If a man die, shall he live again?—Job. 14:14.

Leader:—Jesus said. . . . I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.—John 11:25.

Unison:—He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. . . . Unto him be the glory.—Eph. 3:20; I Pet. 5:11.

HYMN:—"Art Thou Weary, Art Thou Languid." Tune, Stephanos or Bullinger.

LET US CONFESS

Leader:—Let us confess with shame and sorrow how grievously we have failed to show forth Christ at all times by our lives and service. Let us wait in silence before God, asking Him to forgive our failures, both in our attempts and non-attempts to lift Him up.

If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. . . If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.—I John 2: 1; I: 9.

SILENT PRAYER

(Let each individual make confession in her own heart, guided if she chooses by the following suggestions:)

In my own Life:—Have I been a true and effective witness for Christ? Does He dwell in me richly, and do I give Him first claim on my time, talents, money, my all, for His Kingdom? Are my habits of thought and expression centered in Christ or in self?

In my Family Life:—Am I a radiant Christian in my home? Do I make it easy for my family to love and serve Him?

In my Neighborly Life:—Do my neighbors know through my life and testimony what a wonderful Friend Jesus is?

PRAYER HYMN:—(Sung without accompaniment), ''My Faith Looks Up to Thee.''

Leader:—Let us together confess our failures in:

National and International Life:

Where we have forgotten God.

Sin in high places.

Lack of courage on moral questions.

Where we have failed to show the Christ Spirit, in the industrial and commercial world.

Injustice and lack of brotherliness in international and interracial relations.

Church Life:

Where we have failed to put Christ at the centre.

Lack of effective Christian influence in the life of the community and the nation.

Slowness with which we have shared with the world our best and most precious gift, Christ.

LET US GIVE THANKS

PRAYER:

For Jesus Christ our Saviour.

For blessings that have come to our country through Christianity.

For all organized and individual efforts for the realization of World Peace.

For the growing missionary spirit and enterprise of all churches in all lands.

For the blessings brought into the lives of many in distant lands through Christian literature, in their own languages.

HYMN:—''Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun.'' Tune, Duke Street.

LET US PRAY

Leader:—For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. . . . For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Response:—How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

Leader:—Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost, is come upon you; and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.—John 3:16; Rom. 10:13-14; Acts 1:8.

PRAYER:

For our King, our Empire, our Country.

That during this anniversary year of Pentecost there may come a fresh manifestation of the power of the Holy Spirit in the life and work of the Church in every land, and that to every believer may come a new and vitalizing experience of Jesus the Lord Christ.

That there may come a revival of the spirit of witnessing, that every follower of Christ may be a joyful bearer of the Good News to others.

That young men and women of Canada may give their lives for the service of Christ, that they may behold the lifted Christ and be willing to forsake all and follow him.

For the young life of the world, but especially for those in mission lands who are training in schools and colleges and training institutions for Christian leadership.

That the work we are engaged in for the Kingdom may be fruitful.

That the spirit and teachings of Jesus Christ on human relationships whether individual, national or international, may be realized through the unceasing work of all Christians.

That Christ's Kingdom may come and His will be done in all the earth.

HE MUST BE LIFTED HIGHER

Leader:—"It does not minister to Christian pride to realize how little He is really being lifted up after nearly twenty centuries. . . . We wear His name without always bearing it. We weave the imagery of His cross into our Art and personal piety, yet we live on levels that are little higher than pagans. . . .

"Around the world there are weary and wondering voices that are crying 'Lift Him Higher! so that we can see Him, not you! His unifying spirit. . . . . His universal love!'

"The historic cross still towers o'er the wrecks of time," but the living Christ must be lifted up—higher. . . Above the hypocrises and littleness of our pretentious faiths. Higher! Higher! Lift Him up! Are there not human hands to be stretched out with His, human hearts to be broken with His? He must be lifted up in flesh and blood. Will we offer our own?"

Wm. Hiram Foulkes.

Dedication: (Unison).

"My Jesus, my King, my Life, my All; I again dedicate my whole self to thee. . . I will place no value on anything I have or may possess except in relation to the Kingdom of God."

David Livingstone.

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

HYMN:—"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go." Tune, St. Margaret.

Benediction:—May the Lord bless us and keep us, may the Lord make His face to shine upon us and be gracious unto us, may the Lord lift up the light of His countenance upon us and give us peace. Amen.

N.B.—Copies of this programme may be obtained from the denominational literature depots of the Women's Missionary Societies, price 1c. each.

Books Old and New

BY LEREINE BALLANTYNE

"OF making many books there is no end". How pleasant that this is true, when the making of them means new forms of inspiration, and the old beloved ideals, clothed with the garment of to-day's expression. To the readers it is given to prospect; to dig for the gold among the hard rocks of skepticism, and the common clay of ultra-modernism. To know with unerring instinct that which is pure gold, and to separate it from the dross, not with resentment for that which is thrown away, so much as for joy for that which is found. That is the secret of the true book lover. Let us see what is among the nuggets culled for this month.

IN DAYS OF OLD by Katharine L. Macpherson is indeed one of the treasures of the month. Bible stories from the Old Testament are told with a fresh vigorous style that will make many young people, who are fortunate in possessing this book, look up the Book of Books to see if it really did happen so thrillingly. To choose the great and dramatic incidents and make them live and move in simple sequence is a noble contribution to our field of literature, and this book by a talented Montreal girl is heartily welcomed and endorsed by us for devotional reading, leaders of groups, Sabbath-School teachers, and parents who are expected to produce a bed-time story. Price per copy $2.00.

IN BEAUTIFUL FORMOSA and STORIES FROM FORMOSA by Marjorie Landsborough are both being sold now for 75c. per copy. By making a special purchase we have reduced the price from 90c. These books are excellent pen pictures of this land in which we are so interested.

LEARNING BY DOING is a splendid little book by Mary Debenham with new ideas and suggestions on methods for leaders of girls and boys. This is nicely bound with heavy paper and costs just .20c.

LEARNING ABOUT JAPAN is another little paper bound book by the same author with suggestions for many programme activities, price 15c.

YOUTH IN THE WORLD SERVICE is a book for young people. It fairly bristles with debatable topics, excellent material for leaders of live clubs, Auxiliaries or Christian societies of any kind. Paper bound per copy 35c.

GOLDEN TREASURY OF FAMOUS BOOKS by Lady Willison is a well compiled book of comments on authors and their books. Well known classics are given, and chapters are devoted to myths, fairy tales, ballads, history, biography, essays, etc. Such a book should be kept for the reference value as well as the interesting reading contained in its pages. $1.50.

CHURCH PROFIT MAKING,—Is it right? Does it pay? By F. A. Agar, is a book dealing with the raising of money in a church by commercial giving and other means of making money. This is a lively subject of interest to everyone, and both sides of the case are set forth so clearly, that it will no doubt be much in demand. Price per copy bound in cloth $1.00.

THE IMMIGRANTS by Marie Zibeth Colman, a Victoria, B.C., poet, is a tiny chap book of poems of interest because of the subject. Miss Coleman writes with a deep sympathy for the newcomer in our country. Price each 50c.

THE NEW STANLEY JONES BOOK IS OUT.—THE CHRIST OF EVERY ROAD has just arrived. This book is on Pentecost in view of the approaching observance of the nineteen hundreth anniversary of Pentecost in Christendom, and his theme is that ''The world-ground is being prepared for a spiritual awakening on a very extensive scale.'' This book has been eagerly looked forward to, and if space permits another review will be included when we have had time to digest it thoroughly. Price per copy $1.50.

A BOYS AND GIRLS LIFE OF CHRIST by J. Paterson Smyth, D.D., is the companion volume to ''A People's Life of Christ,'' and is the story of Christ from boyhood to the end of His ministry, told in a gripping manner and in a way that captivates the imagination of the young. Price $1.75.

Prayer

O LORD Almighty, Thou Who hast given us the desire to pray, deepen in us the sense of Thy nearness. Teach us to pray, to talk to Thee as children to a father, in Whose keeping we all are. When we think of Thy goodness to us, our hearts overflow with gratitude. Thou hast given us health and strength and crowned us with loving kindness. We thank Thee for the work which Thou hast entrusted to us and for the desire to do it. We would remember before Thee the sick, the blind, the deaf, and those on whose minds darkness has fallen. Bless all institutions established for their care. Give wisdom to our doctors, guide the hand of the surgeons, and bless the ministry of the nurses. Pour out Thy blessing upon our Church and her ministers, the leaders of girls and little children, and those who direct the training of our students and deaconesses. Be near Thy missionaries at home and overseas. Preserve them from all perils by land and sea, and from discouragement and disease. Look with compassion upon the little companies of faithful workers in lonely places or in the crowded cities. Teach us all to be kind to one another. Throughout this year help us in our service ''to give and not count the cost; fight and not heed the wounds; toil and not seek rest; labor and not ask reward, saving that of knowing that we do Thy will, and that, if we are faithful, some day we may hear Thee call us, Friend.'' Grant these, our petitions, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

OUR LETTER BOX

Be Ye Kind One to Another

Winnipeg, Man.

''DESIRING to keep our girls together the Club met every week at 492 Agnes, since organizations were not meeting in our Churches. Open house was kept Thursday afternoon and evening, for those who cared to come to tea or for the evening. We had surprisingly fine meetings and good attendance. Several needy cases in the outlying districts were assisted with clothing, literature, etc. Last summer, I received more letters of appreciation of assistance given in various ways.

And then, my home has been much in demand for needy cases. (My daughter calls it 'The Home of the Friendless'). At present there is a young woman with her baby, the husband is out of the city, getting only a small wage, and also two girls, one, a 'club' girl, who had an accident and needed nursing. Lately, some Ukrainians, newly-arrived, found their way to the house, though unable to speak a word of English. They simply wished for a little Christian visit and to find their own Church in the city. I never saw more appreciative people and their reverent way of giving thanks before and after meals was beautiful to see.

Finding of suitable work for new girls and homes for maids and maids for homes, requires a great deal of time. Our Girls' Club seems to have become so well known that more requests come for girls than can be met. So, altogether, it has been a very busy season.''

—*(Mrs.) Jean C. Howey.*

Training Babies

Fort McMurray.

''I MUST tell you how I train the babies. Well, first of all one has to live with the little rascals to know how wise they grow as the days go by, no matter how small, and if they commence to cry and nurse picks them up, as mother is apt to do, they soon become accustomed to that mode of treatment and then poor mother cannot get anything else done. On the other hand, if nurse does not pick them up, they soon become accustomed to that too, and the next thing we find is that the little one is off to sleep again. Another part of the training, which has proven very beneficial is in the habit of feeding baby. In my days of training we fed the baby every three hours, but since, reading the latest up-to-date methods, I have noticed when a well formed and normal sized baby has arrived (from 8 to 8½ lbs.), that by feeding him every four hours he makes just as much improvement as if fed every three hours, and it is not so hard on the mother. We will say when we hear the little baby smacking its lips, there's the little clock. Can you not see then, what a great comfort it is to the mother when she returns home to have the baby thus trained, for with the many odd jobs and other children to attend to, she finds time to attend to them all. For, in days gone by, especially among many of the native women, the habit was to feed baby any time it cried a little, and this is very bad, both for the baby and mother.

Several mothers have been made happy by the receipt of a little Mother's Book, which has been sent through the kindness of Dr. Helen MacMurchy, who sent me a number of blank postcards which I filled out with different names, and the mothers received the books, which contain so much useful information.''

—*Olive Ross.*

A Visit to the Ukrainians

Vegreville, Alta.

"IN the fall I went north by motor and visited several of the pupils in their homes. Some of the houses were very picturesque with white-washed mud walls inside and out, thatched roof, and outdoor bake ovens of mud. A fire is made in these ovens and afterward the bread is put in and cooked, so our fireless cookers are not altogether a new idea. We had dinner at Kost's home and his mother was delighted to have us, 'so honored', she said. Their sitting room walls are covered with beautiful woven rugs, which they make themselves from the shearings of the sheep. They spin the wool then dye it bright colors, and weave the rugs. Mrs. Moroschuk (Kost's mother) gave me a beauty as a wedding gift. She appreciates so much what is being done for her little son. We all love Kost very much, he is such a bright little chap and tries so hard to learn and to do what he is told.

The second trip took us north over hill and dale, across the Saskatchewan River by ferry, which is cabled across, the swiftness of the current being the power to take the boat over. At the other side of the river is a little hamlet called Brousseau, where the people are mostly French-Canadian. We had three families to visit, Louis and Marie Saulou's, and the Sherstianka's. The Saulous live almost back of beyond, we had to go through a ploughed field, a wheat field and a summer fallow field on their place as there is no trail to their home. They are poor, but honest folk and so thankful for the chance the children are getting. We had supper there, lovely home made bread and fresh cinnamon buns, with most delicious cranberry jam, smothered in thick cream, and we were so hungry after bumping over that rough trail through the fields. Many of these people have plenty to eat, but no way of making much money. I feel I can handle the situation here much better, after visiting some of the homes, and realizing the little chance these children have, when at their homes."

—Mrs. A. Robertson.

A Letter from "The Koffends"

Peiping, China

THE past weeks have been spent at the North China Beach where Chinese and Missionary Conferences are held each summer.

The Chinese Conference was splendid. Two of the outstanding leaders among the conservatives were here and gave remarkable and inspiring messages. Miss Chen, who has been for eleven years a missionary in Yunnan under the auspices of the Chinese Home Missionary

Society, brought helpful addresses and the Secretary of that body presented the work as a *Home* Missionary effort. Miss Monsen, of whose capture by pirates three months ago you may have read and another foreign lady spoke and did much personal work. All the delegates departed much strengthened and blessed. The Foreigners' Conference began July 24th and closed August 14th. We were responsible for the music during the entire period and each Sunday evening conducted an hour's sing-song.

Mr. Koffend also directed the Sunday Bible Class, and twice a week the children of the missionaries gathered for their meetings, with an average attendance of 40 under our direction, and twice a week a music period when Mr. Koffend passed on some helpful hints on singing and speaking.

Yesterday we were invited to tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Little who have one of the finest estates we have ever seen, it overlooks the sea. We went through the grounds and were told there were five miles of flower-bordered walks going through the pines. There are several hundred apple and pear trees, and many grape arbors; all the trees came from Canada. You would have been interested in the conversation at table. Mr. Joo, former Consul-general, at Ottawa, and his wife, Dr. Hart, a retired college president and authority on Chinese history and the postmaster at Peiping, were among the guests. Our host has had some remarkable experiences all over the world, especially in Thibet and the land of the savage Lulu tribes. Once in going through their country he came to a village and had just secured a room for the night when the cry of ''Fire'' was raised. His belongings were not yet unpacked so were taken out easily and carried to a safe spot from which he saw the whole village go up in flames. In the midst of the excitement the natives would come to him and say, ''Foreigner, here is my wife, take care of her while I get our goods,'' or ''Foreigner, here are my children, protect them while I save my things,'' until he had all the women and children of the village under his care through the night. Because of the night's experiences and other brave deeds they wanted him to be their chief; he declined that honor but now holds papers signed by their chief giving him, as a concession, a large tract of land.

Since coming to Peitaiho I have heard of a custom new to me. When a baby is three days old the mother takes a sack and fills it with sand after the babe is in it and then ties the bag about the child's neck. There it is left, if it lives, for months, with the sand changed once or twice a week. The result is that half the babies die of lock-jaw in about a week and 80 per cent. during the first year. This is just one of the many things changed when the Lord Jesus comes into their hearts.

Varied Activities

New Amsterdam, British Guiana.

"WORK is going on as usual at the Girls' High School. The Girls' School has been entirely independent of the Boys' since Christmas and things are much more satisfactory now that the two institutions are separate.

I find the girls very charming and attractive. They all wish to be remembered to the Canadian ladies, and to thank you all for sending them a principal and enabling them to have a school of their own. Associated as I am with an institution, I am not able to go out of town very often. However, one Sunday lately we went to a place called Maroh, up the Berbice River. It is the most outlying district in the Berbice field. The last seven miles led through jungle. This district is being cleared and settled so there were a number of houses situated in little fields from which the dense tangle of vines and grasses had newly been cleared. The service at one point there was most interesting. It was held in the shade of an old house; chairs were brought for us but the congregation squatted on the grass, joined at intervals by goats and fowls.

I have been busy getting the High School library in order. It is not very extensive, many books were spoiled by insects and some have been lost. The boys and girls are fond of reading, but it is rather difficult for them to get books in Berbice. There is no public library and booksellers in this colony do not have large stocks of books on account of the rapid deterioration through insects and dampness." —***Mary Murray.***

Laying Foundations

Kamloops, B.C.

"I STAYED nearly a month in Prince Rupert, coming in touch with the whole congregation there. We had two W.M.S. Auxiliary meetings. I also got the Mission Band started and missionary interest awakened in our C.G.I.T. Group. I do hope the Church will get a minister soon, they have been two years without a settled pastor. I came along the C.N.R., stopping off only at Prince George.

I came down to Kamloops to visit the Tranquille Sanatorium where we have seventy Presbyterian patients. I was allowed to stay in the institution free of all expense for three days, being granted the same privilege as ministers and R.C. priests. The authorities expressed both to myself and Rev. Mr. Kennedy appreciation of the visiting.

I spoke to the Sabbath School yesterday, and shall talk to our C.G.I.T. this evening and to our W.M.S. Auxiliary Thank-offering meeting tomorrow, before going on to Cranbrook and Kimberley. This itinerary has meant travelling from the extreme northwest of our province to the southeast." —*(Mrs. J. F.) Grace M. MacLean.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggested Programme for February

Follow the programme on p. 24 of ''Couriers of the King.'' Have sentence prayers, remembering the names and work of our missionaries. Try dramatizing this chapter. Choose a group, and let each, in turn, tell briefly, in her own words, the story of the different missionaries as found in pages 25 to 35 and any other information she may have about them. Print the missionary creed (p. 158 ''From Jerusalem to Jerusalem'') on the black board, and let the whole Society repeat it in closing.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A Visit to Taihoku

''Dear Friends in Canada:—

TO all of you who spent last month visiting with us, I again extend a welcome to sojourn and I will attempt to add a little more to the knowledge and interest you already have in 'beautiful Formosa'.

As you enter the city of Taihoku, the capital of Formosa, I can easily imagine the exclamations of surprise as you view the wide paved streets; the electric lights; the motor cars and buses, which are in the down-town section. These certainly show the signs of modern civilization. However, we will pass by these modern conveyances and give you the thrill of a ricksha ride to our Compound.

Just before we reach the Compound gate, we will stop for a moment and view the 'Mackay Memorial' Hospital, which stands as a memorial to the pioneer of our Mission, Rev. George Leslie Mackay. Across the road from the hospital, is the building where a clinic for lepers is held, but, as you no doubt will be paying another visit to these two places, we will not stop just now.

On our Compound you will find four houses, one of which is our W.M.S. bungalow, where Miss Adams, a kindergarten teacher, Miss Cummings and Miss Chisholm who are nurses, and myself, an evangelist, live. When Miss Senior, another nurse, is here, she lives with us too, but just at present she is home on furlough.

I thought at this time, we would visit some of our churches. At present, all my time is given to language study, so, much as I would like to take you with me on an itinerating tour, I'm afraid I shall not be able to do so.

At the first Church, we will visit the Sunday School. We will have to get up fairly early Sunday morning, for the school begins at 8.30 a.m. In the auditorium of the church the main body of the school meets, and after the worship period, the students divide into classes and the remainder of the time is spent in the study of the lesson and the memorization of scripture. The place, though, which I think you will consider most interesting, is the kindergarten. Here we find from forty to fifty children between the ages of four to seven. They are singing a hymn as we enter, and our ears catch the familiar tune of 'Jesus Loves Me'. They sing several more hymns, and then the lesson begins. I'm sure if you could understand what the teacher is saying, you woudn't notice any difference from the lessons you have in Canadian Sunday Schools, for the Old, Old Story has the same message and meaning no matter in what language it is spoken.

At the next Church, we will pay a visit to the Junior Church. This is held in the basement of the church building while the regular service is being held up-stairs. After the children have sung several hymns, and had Bible reading and prayer, some one tells them a story or stories as the time allows, so that they may have a sermon all to themselves which they will be able to understand better than that preached to the grown-ups. We will notice that the congregation is what might be termed, a mixed one. The majority of those present are boys and girls whose ages range from four to twelve years. The others are mostly babies carried in on their mother's, father's, elder sister's or brother's back. Of course these folks must stay with the babies, so we add them to the number, and, even although the stories are told for the children, I can safely say the mothers and fathers enjoy them just as well.

Our next and last visit will be a regular Church service. It is not likely you will understand what is being said or sung, except that the tunes of the hymns may be familiar, but, if you will look around at the faces of the people, maybe you will grasp some of the earnestness of the message being given. Perhaps the noise which is going on seems strange to you. I know it did so to me the first few times I was here, but, like everything else, you become accustomed to it. You will notice that most of the noise comes from the children and babies who are present. However, it doesn't seem to distract the attention of the congregation greatly, and when we think, that if the mothers didn't bring their babies with them to Church, they would have to stay at home also, we try to think less of the noise, and more of the eagerness of these people to come and hear about Jesus Christ.

I am sorry that your visit has now come to an end, for there are many more things and places you could view with interest, but, I'm afraid we will have to leave them for another visit.

Thanking you all for the interest you are taking in us and in the people whom we are seeking to serve, I am,''

Margaret M. Ramsay

MISSION BANDS

AN INDIAN GIRL ENJOYS CHRISTMAS

"OUR Christmas concert was held on December 24th here in Birtle. We had a very good time and enjoyed playing with the dolls we got at Christmas. Also we had a nice Christmas dinner and on Christmas morning we had some more Christmas presents from the staff, so I had quite a few of Christmas presents this year, and sorry to say, this is the last year of school at Christmas Eve. When next Christmas comes I will be at home with my parents then. But I am not quite 18 yet. I'll be until on March 28th, that's the date of my birthdays. I love to get letters from friends who I love. Whenever I received a letter from my friends I feel happy, so I love to write to my friends whom I know.

Some of the big girls are reading just now. We are going to have our Sunday School this morning. I belong to Mrs. Currie's class. I always feel so interested with Mrs. Currie's talks or anybody talking about Jesus Christ. Our Sunday School lesson is about Fellowship Through Worship, that's the subject of our lesson of to-day.

I can't very well write with pen and ink, but my writing is far better when I use pencil only, so please will you excuse me for my bad writing and mistakes too. I belong to Mission Band called 'Bright Star'. I wrote to my brother so that I can cheer him up because he is sick. He's at Rossburn hospital just now. He had pneumonia this winter already, so he is getting better very slow now.

All the staff are well and happy and same with the school children here in Birtle.''

—Lucy McKay.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Provincial Annual Meetings

Ontario—Toronto, April 29th, 30th, May 1st.

Quebec—Montreal, April 15th.

Meeting of Council Executive, with six additional members, Toronto, May 20th.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

THE annual meeting of Edmonton Presbyterial will be held in First Church, Edmonton, February 5th.

The Vegreville School Homes held their usual delightful Christmas entertainments.

Having first ascertained that their gifts would be gladly accepted, the Calgary Presbyterial donated a year's subscription to *Glad Tidings* to the Public Library and the Y.W.C.A. for public use.

Strathcona Presbyterian Church has organized a C.G.I.T. They have given one very fine concert and are preparing for another.

The various Mission Bands in Edmonton sent gifts to needy children in outlying districts.

The children of Westmount Sunday School voted the money put aside for their treat, to Rev. Mr. Simons, to be used in bringing Christmas cheer to children in his district.

The Wakota Girls' Club, First Church, Edmonton, entertained twenty less fortunate children at a splendid Christmas dinner.

Progress was noted in all departments at the annual meeting of the W.M.S. of First Church. Mrs. R. H. Christie was re-elected President.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. WM. CUTHBERT, 1820-5TH AVE., W. VANCOUVER, PRESS SECRETARY

NEW WESTMINSTER P.S.—Mount Pleasant Y.W.M.S. held their Thank-offering meeting in the church hall. Dr. R. M. Stevenson, who has been a missionary among the South Sea Islanders, and a member of two exploring expeditions in New Guinea, gave an interesting lecture entitled, ''Among the Head Hunters of the South Seas.''

St. Paul's Auxiliary held a successful Thank-offering meeting. An illustrated lecture on India was given by our Provincial President, Mrs. G. W. Ledingham.

The regular meeting of the Westminster Presbyterial was held in Central Church. All reports showed continued interest and activity.

Central Church Auxiliary held their Thank-offering meeting November 27th. Addresses were given by Rev. J. M. McGillivray and Mrs. Jean Craig. Fifteen Mission Band girls presented a pageant called ''Lighted Candles''. The generous sum of $246 was received.

Victoria P.S.—At the Thank-offering meeting of Knox Church, Victoria, Rev. Mr. Patterson from Victoria West, gave an inspiring address on Missions. Mrs. Davies, the President, who is leaving for a visit to the Old Country asked that they remember each other in prayer, that the work might go on and prosper. Mrs. Dempsey was elected President *pro tem.*

At the Thank-offering meeting of St. Paul's Auxiliary some of the members were given special honors, among them being Miss Jean McGowan, who has been most helpful in Mission Band and other activities of the Church.

It is with joy we note the varied topics which have been included in the programmes carried out by St. Andrew's Auxiliary. Topics of missionary interest, of national, overseas, and other special features have been enjoyed. A social afternoon at their February meeting included invitations to friends and contributors.

A ''School of Missions'' has been conducted by Rev. H. P. and Mrs. Luttrell. It had its final session in the Thank-offering meeting. The speaker, Mrs. Saunsby, for many years a missionary in Japan, illustrated her address by means of lantern slides of beautiful Japanese scenes.

Kootenay P.S.—An excellent programme was presented at the Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. of Knox Church, Creston. Musical numbers were rendered by Rev. J. C. and Mrs. McLean-Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Worden, the Mission Band, and the Y.W.M.S. Auxiliary. Master Harold Milne, who read the Scripture lesson and Miss Eugenie McGruder were especially honored. An address was given by our deaconess, Mrs. McLean. Mr. McLean-Bell also gave a practical talk on the work of the society. A generous contribution was received.

Mrs. Worden, Presbyterial President, who has been visiting Auxiliaries in the district, has given much encouragement and help by her interesting addresses. She carried many messages, reports and echoes generally of the Council meeting, at Ottawa, to which she was a delegate.

MANITOBA

MRS. W. F. HOGARTH, 118 N. JOHN ST., FORT WILLIAM, ONT., PRESS SEC.

WINNIPEG P.S.—First Presbyterian Church W.M.S., Winnipeg, held its Thank-offering meeting, November 6th. Mrs. A. M. L. Long presided. Mrs. D. Strachan, of Toronto, President of the W.M.S., was the speaker, and gave a most interesting, instructive and inspiring address, taking for her theme ''Our National and Overseas Missionary Work.'' All branches of the work were touched by the speaker—evangelistic, medical, and educational. Her message was one of optimism and told of progress. The finances are in an excellent condition allowing for enlargement of the work generally. The speaker stressed the great need for bungalows for our overseas missionaries and assured her hearers that in this request the missionaries have the sympathy and support of the W.M.S. The devotions were conducted by Rev. N. A. MacEachern, Mrs. J. S. Hutchison, Mrs. H. B. Henderson and Mrs. N. McWilliams. All Presbyterian Churches in the city were represented and there was a record attendance.

The Thank-offering meeting of Knox Church W.M.S., Selkirk, was held November 12th. The devotions were conducted by Miss Nixon and Mrs. D. R. McLeod. Brief addresses on the great importance of the W.M.S. work were given by Miss Jenkinson, deaconess, recently appointed to that district, and Rev. Mr. Hemphill.

The ''Willing Workers'' Mission Band, of Knox Church, Selkirk, met November 25th. The President, Anna Skaptosan, presided, and an interesting programme was given. Miss Jenkinson, deaconess at East Selkirk, was present with a number of the members of the newly formed Mission Band.

Brandon P.S.—The November meeting of First Presbyterian W.M.S. was of particular interest. The topic—Our work among the Bhils—was presented to us in a two-fold way, first by an inspiring and instructive paper by Mrs. M. G. Abey, and secondly by lantern slides which gave us a vision of our great field of labor which we will never forget. We were particularly delighted with the picture of the approved plan of the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home.''

The Thank-offering meeting of Melita Auxiliary was one of marked success, both in attendance and in offering. The speaker, Mrs. McInnes, of Winnipeg, gave a most encouraging report of our various fields of work, which was enjoyed as was also the musical numbers by the Mission Band and C.G.I.T. girls.

ONTARIO

MRS. G. TOWER FERGUSSON, 70 MADISON AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SECRETARY

THE Annual Meeting of the Ontario Provincial Society will be held in Calvin Church, Toronto, on April 29th, 30th and May 1st. Convener of Billeting Committee, Mrs. W. R. Adamson, Box 505, Oakville.

Notice of Motion

Owing to the difficulty in billeting and entertaining the large representation which is entitled to attend the Annual Meeting of the Ontario Provincial Society, according to Provincial By-law, page 213, Annual Report (Ontario), notice of motion is hereby given to reduce the representation of Presbyterial officers as follows: ''That the representation from Presbyterial officers be limited to the President and two other Presbyterial officers, and that the billeting be strictly limited to accredited delegates.''

Ottawa P.S.—The Mission Bands of Ottawa Presbyterial held their annual meeting in St. Giles' Church, Ottawa, November 8th. Representatives from 14 bands were in attendance and 27 Junior certificates were presented. The Presbyterial President, Mrs. C. H. Thorburn, presided, and Dr. Cropper, of British Guiana gave a short address. The greetings of Presbytery were conveyed by the Moderator, Rev. A. G. Cameron. An appropriate service, ''The Bible Test,'' written by the Presbyterial M.B. Secretary, Mrs. J. R. Hill, was presented by the Mission Band of Erskine Church, under the direction of Miss Evelyn Tencotte.

Toronto P.S.—Enthusiastic Mission Band rallies were held in October and November at Dufferin, Richmond Hill, Bolton, Milton, Morningside, Davenport and Beaches Churches with a total attendance of 1,050 children. All the Bands took part in the programme. Contests in attendance and new memberships are events of the future.

A rally of the 'teen age girls of Toronto Presbyterial was held November 23rd, in Glenview Church, Mrs. J. Booth, Presbyterial C.G.I.T. Secretary, in the chair. About 250 girls were present, 20 Groups being represented in the roll call conducted by Miss N. Smith and Miss Oster, Vice-Presidents of the 'teen age department. Miss Winifred Yuill conducted devotional exercises and Miss Muriel Gray brought greetings from the Council Executive. Other speakers were Mrs. W. M. Rochester, Mrs. J. Hilts, Mrs. J. McClure, Miss Bernath and Miss Todd, the two latter students of the Deaconess Training Home. An interesting feature was a Chinese song given by two young Chinese girls.

In Memoriam

Deep regret is felt over the death of our beloved Honorary President, Mrs. McCosh, of Paris, November 8th, 1929. An efficient, faithful officer, the first President after 1925, she organized and by prayers and alms assisted materially in re-establishing this Presbyterial.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, THE ''MANSE'', BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

MONTREAL P.S. Executive met in Knox Crescent Church in November, Mrs. A. W. Lamb, President, presiding. Reports from the various Secretaries showed an improvement over last year's work.

Mrs. W. E. Baker, is retiring from the office of Treasurer. Mrs. J. W. Dougherty and Mrs. A. W. Pae expressed the appreciation and esteem in which Mrs. Baker is held.

The speaker for the afternoon was the Rev. Wm. Orr Mulligan, pastor of Melville Church, who spoke on ''Problems of Home Mission Fields, East and West.''

In Eastern Canada, especially in the rural districts, conditions are discouraging. In small communities there are as many as twenty families located and no minister to take charge. There are people in these districts who have not been to church in twenty years.

Western Canada with its mixed population presents another problem. Most of the foreign people who come to make their homes in the Great North West are law-abiding, industrious, clean, with ability and character, and it is these people, with their religion, their outlook on life, who as first settlers, set the stamp on their particular community. Four out of five scholarships from a Winnipeg University went to foreigners. This gives an idea of the brilliant young people our children will have to compete with. It is not the race you belong to, it is the kind of man or woman you are. The churches in the rural districts require a man, with the experience that life gives whose heart and soul are in the work and who realizes the need for sympathy and consecration in the rural field to-day.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

PRINCE ALBERT-SASKATOON P.S.—At the annual W.M.S. meeting of St. Andrew's, Saskatoon, splendid reports were received from all departments. Mrs. Browning is President for another year.

Parkview reports an encouraging year with almost all Secretaries returned to office.

The Home Helpers and other ladies of the Melfort congregation were guests at the W.M.S. Thank-offering. Mr. Marsh, Anglican missionary at Eskimo Pt., was the speaker.

Kindersley Auxiliary has fourteen members with average attendance of eleven. Mrs. Brent, of Coleville, addressed the Thank-offering meeting. All are delighted to have Mrs. G. W. Murray continue as President.

Regina P.S.—The annual meeting of First Presbyterian Church W.M.S. was held December 18th. Reports were very encouraging, showing faithful conscientious work on the part of the officers. Mrs. G. M. Bell was elected President. Warm appreciation of Mrs. J. A. Sinclair's wonderful work as President during the last four years found expression in a hearty vote of thanks.

The ''Sunbeam'' Mission Band of First Presbyterian Church held an entertaining concert, December 14th. The parents and children of the congregation were invited to attend. The ladies of the W.M.S. delighted the children by giving them a tea-party following the concert.

Since its re-organization in May, the W.M.S. of Knox Church, Whitewood, has progressed. A thank-offering service was held in the Church on Sunday evening, November 17th. Mrs. H. R. Horne, of Regina, Provincial President, gave an interesting address on the missions work carried on in different parts of the world. The annual meeting was held December 18th. Reports from all departments were most encouraging. Mrs. G. E. Lougheed was re-elected President.

Life Members

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Miss Etta McLeod, First Ch. Aux., Edmonton; Mrs. J. O. H. McCoy, Strathcona Aux., Edmonton; Mrs. M. McIvor, Mrs. R. H. Weir, Mrs. A. W. Sinclair, Mrs. J. C. Metcalfe, Grace Ch. Aux., Calgary.

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In Loving Memory of:

Janet Helena Russel, presented by her mother, St. Andrew's Ch. Aux., Fort William.

Correction

In December issue of *Glad Tidings* the names of Mrs. Janet Gemmell and Mrs. David Falconer, should be credited to First Ch. Aux., Brandon, not Winnipeg.

Ontario Provincial.—

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JUNIOR MEMBERS

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Temiskaming P.S.—''Helpful Workers'' M.B., Tomstown.

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Second Nurse	900.00	
Insurance	202.00	
		$3,202.00
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Superintendent's Salary	$1,167.00	
Maintenance	600.00	
Insurance	21.25	
		$1,788.25
"Hugh Waddell Memorial" Hospital, Canora, Sask.—		
Superintendent's Salary	$1,250.00	
Five Nurses' Salaries at $900.00	4,500.00	
		$5,750.00
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Superintendent's Salary	$1,200.00	
Three Nurses' Salaries at $900.00	2,700.00	
Repairs and Extras	500.00	
		$4,400.00
General Contingency		1,120.00
		$16,260.25

ORIENTALS IN CANADA

Montreal—		
Miss Reid, Expenses and Room Rent	$480.00	
Rent of Y.M.C.I.	175.00	
Caretaker	30.00	
Equipment and Supplies	30.00	
Travelling and Substitute	210.00	
Miss Jue, Salary	720.00	
Mrs. Herman, Salary (part time)	420.00	
		$2,065.00
Brockville—		
Miss Davies, Honorarium	200.00	
Expenses	50.00	
		$250.00
Toronto		
Miss Dickson, Expenses and Room Rent	$420.00	
Rent of Y.M.C.I.	210.00	
Miss Lambert, Salary (part time)	240.00	
Expenses, Equipment and Supplies, Etc.	45.00	
		$915.00

Saskatchewan—

Expenses, Literature		$55.00

Vancouver—

Miss Crawford, Salary	$960.00	
Miss Dickman, Salary (part time)	540.00	
Equipment and Supplies	100.00	
		$1,600.00

Victoria—

Mrs. McQueen, Salary	$1,167.50	
Miss G. Scott, Salary	1,026.60	
Miss Chan, Salary (part time)	420.00	
Equipment and Supplies	25.00	
		$2,639.10
		$7,524.10

EDUCATIONAL—SCHOOL HOMES

New Liskeard, Ont.—

Superintendent's Salary	$786.67	
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Insurance	60.00	
Fuel Allowance	200.00	
Repairs	200.00	
		$1,614.67

Saskatoon, Sask.—

Superintendent's Salary	$1,250.00	
Assistant	720.00	
Taxes	650.00	
Insurance	493.00	
Decorating	200.00	
Care of Grounds	100.00	
Repairs	200.00	
		$3,613.00

Prince Albert, Sask.—

Superintendent's Salary	$740.84	
Maintenance	700.00	
Taxes	188.00	
Fuel	275.00	
Repairs, Painting, Etc.	300.00	
		$2,203.84

Huntingdon, Que.—

Superintendent's Salary	$929.17	
Insurance	69.00	
Fuel	500.00	
Repairs	350.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$2,148.17

Vegreville, Alta.—

Superintendent of Homes, Salary	$1,228.34	
Assistant	540.00	
Teacher	1,100.00	
Matron of Girls' Home, Salary	850.00	
Maintenance	3,000.00	
School Fees	100.00	

Fuel	600.00	
Taxes	730.00	
Light and Power	200.00	
Repairs	210.00	
Contingency	200.00	
	$8,758.34	
Less Probable Receipts	1,500.00	
		$7,258.34
Canora, Sask.—		
Taxes on Vacant Building		$130.00
		$16,968.02

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

Birtle, Man.—		
Principal's Salary	$1,600.00	
Matron's Salary	850.00	
Senior Teacher, Salary	770.00	
Junior Teacher, Salary	740.85	
Assistant Matron, Salary	550.00	
Assistant Matron, Salary	550.00	
Laundress, Salary	500.00	
Nurse	600.00	
		$6,160.85
Mistawasis, Sask.—		
Teacher's Salary	$720.00	
Expenses, Fuel, Food, Etc.	1,800.00	
Contingency	300.00	
		$2,820.00
"Cecilia Jeffrey," Kenora, Ont.—		
Principal's Salary	$1,500.00	
Matron's, Salary	700.00	
Nurse	600.00	
Senior Teacher's Salary	720.00	
Junior	720.00	
Contingency	760.00	
		$5,000.00
General Contingency		$1,000.00
		$14,980.85

WELCOME AND WELFARE AND DEACONESS DEPARTMENT

Toronto—		
Miss Paton, Salary (Jewish Work)	$ 960.00	
Equipment for Jewish Work	25.00	
Miss Murray, Salary	1,135.00	
Expenses	155.00	
		$2,275.00
Hamilton—		
Miss M. Allan, Salary	$1,060.00	
Expenses	120.00	
		$1,180.00

Montreal—		
Miss Hugill, Salary	$1,200.00	
Expenses	120.00	
Miss Munro, Salary	1,035.00	
Expenses	145.00	
Mrs. Thomas, Salary (part time)	480.00	
Expenses	60.00	
Assistant Port Worker for Summer Months	340.00	
		$3,380.00
Quebec—		
Miss Scott, Honorarium	$ 300.00	
Expenses	50.00	
Miss Macarthur, Salary	1,160.00	
Expenses	145.00	
Assistant Port Worker for Summer Months	340.00	
		$1,995.00
Winnipeg, Man.—		
Mrs. Howey, Salary	$1,010.00	
Expenses	158.28	
		$1,168.28
East Selkirk, Man.—		
Miss Jenkinson, Salary	$960.00	
Rent of Church Hall	60.00	
Fuel	150.00	
Garage Rent	36.00	
Miscellaneous, Car Expense, Etc.	300.00	
		$1,506.00
Saskatchewan—		
Deaconess at Large, Salary (9 months)	$720.00	
Expenses	90.00	
Saskatoon	100.00	
		$910.00
Gonor—		
Mrs. Mackenzie, Salary	$1,200.00	
Expenses	120.00	
		$1,320.00
Vancouver—		
Miss Whitby, Salary	$1,080.00	
Expenses	120.00	
Mrs. McLean, Salary	960.00	
Expenses, Travelling	600.00	
		$2,760.00
Grant to Fresh Air Camp		$ 200.00
Contingency		$ 500.00

Expansion

Welcome and Welfare Worker	$1,080.00
	$18,274.28

SUPPLIES

Department Expenses	$2,200.00
Total for National Missions	$76,207.50

OVERSEAS WORK

INDIA

Bhil Field

Salaries—		
Miss Robson	$1,000.00	
Miss Maxwell	900.00	
Miss McConnell	800.00	
Miss Williamson	800.00	
		$3,500.00
Evangelistic Work	$ 510.00	
Educational	3,482.00	
Medical	2,384.67	
Vacation Allowance	300.00	
Contingency and Repairs	970.00	
Building Two Fences	400.00	
		$11,546.67

Gwalior

Salaries—		
Miss Stringer	$800.00	
Miss Whatling	800.00	
Miss Simpson	800.00	
		$2,400.00
Educational	$2,798.67	
Evangelistic	1,106.67	
Language Study	120.00	
Medical	556.66	
Summer Vacation Allowance	225.00	
Miscellaneous	463.33	
Well Deepening	200.00	
		$7,870.33

FORMOSA

Salaries—		
Mrs. Gauld	$1,000.00	
Miss Gretta Gauld	900.00	
Miss Mabel Clazie	1,000.00	
Miss A. Senior	900.00	
Miss Alma Burdick	800.00	
Miss Ada Adams	800.00	
Miss D. Douglas	690.00	
Miss J. Cummings	800.00	
Miss M. Ramsay	690.00	
Miss E. Chisholm	650.00	
Mrs. Koa	650.00	
		$8,880.00
Evangelistic—		
Bible Women	$600.00	
Travel on Field	400.00	
		$1,000.00

Educational—		
Girls' School Maintenance	$4,000.00	
Women's School Maintenance	400.00	
Kindergarten Maintenance	600.00	
		$5,000.00
Medical—		
Nurses' Salaries and Hospital Supplies	$2,000.00	
New Obstetrical Course in "Mackay Memorial Hospital"	375.00	
		$2,375.00
Miscellaneous—		
Language Teachers	$800.00	
Postage and Stationery	25.00	
Maintenance W.M.S. Property	1,500.00	
Taxes	250.00	
Mrs. Gauld to Canada	500.00	
Miss Gauld to Canada	500.00	
Eight Vacation Allowances	600.00	
Missionary's Return to Field, and Salary	1,500.00	
		$5,675.00
		$22,930.00

CHINA

Manchuria

Salaries, Misses Graham, Crockett and Kok		$2,700.00	
Rent for Home and Two Chapels in Szepingkai		500.00	
Rent for Home and Chapel at Tungliao		250.00	
Rent for Home and two Chapels at Taonan		100.00	
Rent for Country Work		250.00	
Rent Additional, Probably Needed for W.M.S. Home, Szepingkai	$100.00		
Repairs W.M.S. Home	250.00		
		350.00	
Two Bible Women		160.00	
Touring and Probable Opening of New Stations		400.00	
Summer Allowance		225.00	
Tracts		100.00	
Incidentals		100.00	
			$5,135.00

South China

Salaries: Dr. MacBean, Misses Dickson and Reid	$3,000.00	
Grant to Hackett Medical College	1,000.00	
House Rent, Dr. MacBean	150.00	
Holiday Allowance	75.00	
		$4,225.00

Shanghai

Grant to Mrs. D. McGillivray for Christian Literature	50.00
	$9,410.00

JAPAN

Tokio—Grant to Dr. Caroline Macdonald		$2,000.00
Korean Work in Japan—		
Salary, Miss McLean	$ 850.00	
Vacation Allowance	75.00	
Field Travel	100.00	
Language Teacher	360.00	
Share of House Rent	360.00	
Support of Two Bible Women	1,000.00	
Support of Kindergarten	1,000.00	
Assistance for Students in Training for Bible Women	150.00	
		$3,895.00
		$5,895.00

BRITISH GUIANA

Miss Murray, Salary	$1,000.00	
Vacation Allowance	75.00	
Rent	240.00	
		$1,315.00
Miss Barlow, Salary (part)	$600.00	
Return Fare	200.00	
Rent (part)	120.00	
		$920.00
Miss Cropper, Salary	$800.00	
Vacation Allowance	75.00	
		$875.00
Medical Contingency		75.00
Maintenance of 5 Scholars		300.00
		$3,485.00
Total of General Work, Overseas Missions		$61,137.00

EXPANSION

INDIA

Bhil Field

Nurses' Home, Balance	$ 480.00	
Completing Toran Mall Bungalow	4,000.00	
		$4,480.00

Gwalior

Dispensary	$ 300.00	
Completing Bungalow	5,000.00	
		$5,300.00

JAPAN

One Extra Bible Woman's Salary		$500.00
		$10,280.00
Total of Overseas Missions		$71,417.00

Less Amount Provided by Legacies	$2,000.00	
Blair Memorial Legacy	1,000.00	
		$3,000.00
Total of Overseas Missions		$68,417.00

NEW MISSIONARIES

Salaries, Travel and Expenses	$6,712.50

PUBLICATIONS

Salaries	$5,600.00	
Office Rent (part)	1,472.00	
New Publications	500.00	
Annual Reports, Printing and Mailing	1,800.00	
Departmental Tabulated Forms	215.00	
Contingency	500.00	
		$10,087.00

ORGANIZATION

Field Secretaries—		
Miss Pelton, Salary	$1,200.00	
Miss Lamont, Salary	1,200.00	
Travelling Expenses (2)	1,200.00	
Girls' Work Secretary, Salary (part)	750.00	
Travel and Other Expenses	450.00	
Presbyterian Girls' Camps	200.00	
Missionary and Deputation Work	200.00	
Contingency	200.00	
		$5,400.00
Provincial Advisory Committees' Travelling Expenses		$150.00
Expenses of Advisory and Other Committees		$425.00
		$5,975.00

STUDENT

Department Expenses	$750.00	
Education of Chinese Student	500.00	
		$1,250.00

CANDIDATE

Department Expenses	$700.00

MISCELLANEOUS

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Boxes, Slides, Prints, Express, Etc.		$ 200.00
Departmental Stenographer		1,320.00
Library Department—		
Department Expenses	$300.00	
Grant to Hungarian Literature	120.00	
Grant to Chinese Literature	20.00	
Bibles for New Missionaries	50.00	
		$490.00

Interdenominational Christian Literature	300.00	
Canadian School of Missions	625.00	
Federated Fees	75.00	
Grant to Board Room	100.00	
Grant to Deaconess Home	100.00	
		$3,210.00
Church Extension		1,000.00
Deputation (Missionary and Board Members)		1,000.00
Pensions for W.M.S. Workers		1,900.00
Life Membership Supplies		300.00
Enlarged Council Executive Meeting		1,200.00

ADMINISTRATION

Bookkeeper, Salary	$1,320.00	
Rent	1,471.00	
Exchange	2,500.00	
Auditing	250.00	
General Expenses	1,500.00	
		$7,041.00

SUMMARY

National Missions	$76,207.50
Overseas Missions	68,417.00
New Missionaries	6,712.50
Publications	10,087.00
Organization	5,975.00
Student	1,250.00
Candidate	700.00
Miscellaneous	3,210.00
Church Extension	1,000.00
Deputation	1,000.00
Pensions	1,900.00
Life Membership Supplies	300.00
Enlarged Council Meeting	1,200.00
Administration	7,041.00
	$185,000.00

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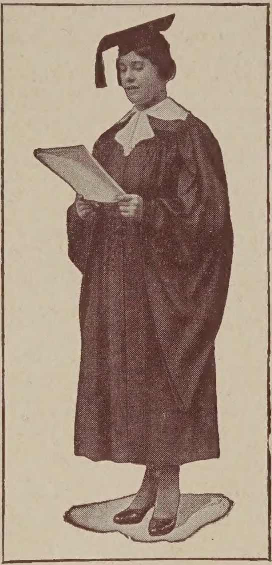

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"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

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Editorial

THE Two Great Days in connection with the work of the Council Executive have passed into history. One we might call a Red Letter Day, because the memory of it burns before us. The other we might name a White Letter Day, because as a pure flame, calm, bright and serene, it came to rebuke us for our lack of faith, to beckon us to greater consecration, and to set the seal of God's approval on the work which we as a Society, have sought to undertake.

The first day was when the Estimates for 1930 were presented by the Treasurer, field by field, item by item, until the total sum was reached—$185,000. Its acceptance was a test of our faith, for without any assurance, other than our belief in our women, that the financial returns would warrant such an expenditure, we assumed for our Society an Estimate, for 1930, of $185,000.

The second day was when, the books having been closed, the Treasurer announced the amount of money received in 1929. One has to live through a meeting of this kind to understand the power of it. How vivid the memory of the moment the Treasurer rose to speak and her message as it unfolded! With a directness, for which one is so thankful at such a time, she said, ''Once more, ladies, our members in the six Provincial Societies have come out in a very wonderful way. I don't know how you feel, but I feel very grateful.'' Then followed the Provincial givings, here an increase, there an increase, $2,000, $3,000, $500 over. ''Last year we asked for $180,000 and an expansion of $12,000. Well, we have that and a little more. This sum is not made up of big gifts, but of small gifts from all over, and given often with great self sacrifice. We certainly have reason to feel that our work is being greatly blessed.''

And we who listened were thinking of the little white envelopes and the great message they were bringing to us that day, for as the President said, ''We know there has been sacrifice and that is what makes the gift great. I hope we shall never forget the sacrifice of those who give the money and that those who give will remember the women who sit on the Board and see the things that have to be done.'' Then suddenly as if overwhelmed by the wisdom of the greatness of the task entrusted to us, she said, ''We are only scratching at the possibilities. We have not begun to explore the womanhood of our Church. That is our great problem.''

''What hath God wrought'' was the thought uppermost in each heart, and in Mrs. Thomson's prayer of gratitude, consecration and earnest desire that we might more and more commend this work to others, this feeling found its expression.

THE EYES OF MISSIONARY WOMEN the world over are being focussed on the World Day of Prayer, March 7th. Humanly speaking, every detail of the programme has been thought through, it now rests with us to make the day the power we desire it to be by preparation through private prayer and attendance at the public services.

ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING MESSAGES received at the International Union of Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches, which was held in Boston last June, was from the Hungarian Women's Missionary Society. Writing of this brave but small body, Mme. de Misley, Budapest, says:

''We cannot tell you of a great increase in our work, nevertheless we are thankful to our gracious Lord that the work goes on, though our small country is poor. We do not wish to say that there are no rich people, but these do not care much for missions. Most of the poorer people, or those who are only a little better off, are giving very willingly. In 1928 we had friends in 80 towns and villages who are very enthusiastic. Our work consists in this: in China we support the principal and the head teacher of the blind girls' school in Changsha, and a Bible woman in Linchi; the education of a boy in the Overtoun Institution in Livingstonia; we are sending 400 pengo to the mission in Basle, for Africa, and 100 pengo to China, and Christmas presents to the blind children and their teachers. We had an income last year of 3,652 pengo. And dear friends, that is all our work.''

We tell this story first, because of its human interest and second, because of the wonderful opportunity that has come to our Society to help this ''pioneer in eastern Europe of women's missionary work.''

It seems that Mme. de Misley, who speaks English well, has started a little magazine for the children, called, ''Daybreak.'' She finds it very difficult to get material and Miss Mathews, of London, England, the Secretary of the Conference, has written to ask if our W.M.S. would send Mme. de Misley copies of our publications for children ''such as appear on the second last page of *Glad Tidings*. That would be a great and helpful and encouraging gift.''

These books and other helps have already been sent and every month the *Glad Tidings* will find its way to our Hungarian ''little sister'' in Budapest.

THE OFFICIAL OPENING of the new home of the Canadian School of Missions, 97 St. George Street, Toronto, took place January 6th, 7th and 8th. The event was marked by the presence of such outstanding guests as Rev. D. Mackenzie, D.D., LL.D., of Hartford Theological Seminary; Professor D. J. Fleming, Ph.D., D.D., of Union Theological Seminary, New York; and Miss Helen B. Calder, of Boston, the first woman to be honored with the position of Chairman of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America. A beautiful Service of Dedication inaugurated a series of meetings and lectures and exemplified the statement of one speaker that ''The School of Missions is a partnership of Christian Churches.''

The Inter-board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada, knowing of the presence in Canada of Miss Calder and Dr. Caroline Macdonald, of Toyko, Japan, arranged for a mass meeting to hear these two women of international fame.

Miss Calder, who was a delegate to the Jerusalem Conference, and had visited the mission fields of the world, said that everywhere she went she found the same aspiration after God and her conclusion was that the biggest argument for mission work is the life of the Christian missionary. Dr. Macdonald, who went to Geneva Labor Conference as interpreter to the Japanese labor delegate, saw in the movement of the Geneva bodies, the new influx of life, and felt that the ''new earth'' would never be an actuality until people realized that labor, missionary and intellectual efforts all led to the same end.

TWO DELIGHTFUL LETTERS of greeting have been received. One comes from Mrs. Forgan, of Edinburgh, Scotland, who, in June, was appointed President of the International Union of Women's Foreign Missionary Societies of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches for the next four years. Mrs. Forgan expresses the hope that during her tenure of office she may be of some service to us. Viewing, as she does, the work that is being done all round the world, she says, ''Our work, if it is to be effective, must relate itself to the changing conditions of the world in which we live. We are concerned with reality and nothing else and nothing less is of use. The world of tomorrow is not yet created, and by God's grace He gives us a share in the making of the world of tomorrow. That we may have a vision of the work God wants us to do and His strength to help us to perform it is my sincere prayer.''

The second is from Mrs. Grigor, of the Presbyterian Women's Missionary Union, Australia. Speaking of our report she says, ''What a glorious work you are doing and what an immense amount of ground you are covering. It is splendid to read the names of so many dear women consecrated to God's work.''

A W.M.S. HAS BEEN ORGANIZED IN JHANSI. Miss Whatling and Miss Stringer have been thinking of this for a long time and when they suggested it to the women, they were very pleased. They wanted new work started or, at least, Kailor opened again, it having been closed owing to Sundaibai leaving for Lewa, and they willingly undertook to support a Bible woman there. Many of the Bible women live at a distance from Jhansi and will not be able to be present at all the meetings, so Miss Whatling plans to bring two in every month, so that they all, in turn, can help by their presence. The message of our missionaries to us is ''Please pray for this new W.M.S.''

IT WILL BE REMEMBERED that at Thanksgiving time, Mrs. Dill, Mission Band Secretary, sent a message to the children, telling them they were ''Love's Candles.'' At the different rallies she told them why they were called ''Love's Candles,'' that candles were the first lights used in Canada—then came coal oil lamps, then gas and now electric light—and that the Mission Bands are the foundation of our W.M.S. After one meeting the boys said, ''Well, if the Mission Bands are 'Love's Candles,' when we grow up we'll have to be electric lights and be missionaries at home and abroad.''

DR. CROPPER AND MRS. CROPPER, of British Guiana, were welcome guests at the Council Executive recently. With a masterly hand, Dr. Cropper sketched a picture of the work in British Guiana. The difficulties were not minimized, but above these there stood out the desire to charge all education with evangelism, and through the medium of the training home and the girls' daily intercourse with Christian women, to build up good womanhood and to send the girls out inspired to establish Christian homes.

CHALMERS CHURCH, Toronto, which is one of our strong missionary Churches, has adopted a very good plan to stimulate interest in the missionary work of the Church. Each month it issues a bulletin entitled ''Missionary News'' containing brief interesting items about their own Church activities and our missions at home and overseas. It is a four page sheet about the size of the *Glad Tidings.* The material is typed and mimeographed and inset in a single line frame which gives it the appearance of a magazine. As a means of creating and sustaining interest this simple inexpensive plan is to be commended.

OUR READERS WILL BE INTERESTED TO KNOW that a request for a copy of ''Couriers of the King'' has come from the Auxiliary of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Newfoundland. It gave us a real thrill to send our study book to this distant Society. We hope they will enjoy it as thoroughly as do our Auxiliaries.

How We Stand Financially

ANOTHER year is past and we are once more able, with very thankful hearts, to report to our Society that the Budget for 1929 was more than met.

The Estimate for the work we hoped to carry out was $180,000 and the amount we received through the Provincials, that is the regular givings of our members, was $180,130.69. Added to that, we received $2,637.54 in individual gifts; $4,805.65 in legacies; $1,757.57 interest on our various accounts; and a special gift of $3,500 to educate a young Chinese girl as a medical missionary. This brings our total receipts up to $192,591.45, but the only one of these extra amounts we can use in our general work is the $2,637.54 from Individual Gifts. That is, we have $182,768.23 against our Budget of $180,000.

This seems very satisfactory, but, instead of spending $180,000 in 1929, we spent $181,884.68, thus leaving only an actual balance of between $800 and $900.

I know how uninteresting a lot of figures can be to most of us, and yet it is both necessary and only fair that all our members should know just how we stand. Fortunately, each year we have carried forward a balance, so that we are able to finance the first few months of the year.

We feel very grateful to our Treasurers for the way in which they responded to our request that the money should be sent in every month as far as possible, and also to all our members for helping by being more regular in their giving. Just to show you what a difference this makes, I will give you a few results.

Each year we have had to borrow from our Sustaining Fund in July, but this year we only borrowed $15,000 instead of $20,000 as last year. Also we were able to carry on quite easily all fall without sending out any call for help, and, in December, we were able to pay back the $15,000 to the Sustaining Fund, send out the first quarter salaries to all our overseas workers, and follow the instructions of Council, by adding $2,000 to our Pensions Fund. After doing all this, we still closed our books for expenditures on December 31st, with a balance of $14,000 instead of $2,000 as last year. All this was not so much because of larger gifts, but more prompt and systematic giving.

Our new year started rather badly, for the first week in January we received an account from our Church Office for $4,525.42, this being our share of the expenses of the Commission on Church property. We knew we had this to pay and had put money aside for it, but it is so long since 1925 that we had almost forgotten about it. However, we have our very helpful Sustaining Fund and from it we were able to pay this rather large account.

This year, as we heard last month, our Estimate is for $185,000, $5,000 of an increase, and I am quite confident that with hard work, faith, and earnest prayer we will not fail.

Receipts from January 1st to December 31st, 1929.

Provincial givings:		
Alberta	$ 5,380.95	
British Columbia	6,017.01	
Manitoba	6,329.38	
Ontario	139,400.00	
Quebec	18,900.00	
Saskatchewan	4,103.35	
		$180,130.69
Individual Subscriptions	$ 2,637.54	
Legacies	4,505.65	
Interest	1,757.57	
Rent of property at Vegreville	60.00	
		$8,960.76
		$189,091.45
Education of Chinese Medical Candidate		$3,500.00
		$192,591.95

(Mrs. R. C.) S. B. Donald,
Treasurer.

Who Will Meet Us if We Come to Canada?

Miss Lily Macarthur

WILL you come with me to the Port of Quebec, and visit particularly the Canadian Immigration Building. In this large building you will find housed the steamship and railway offices, the Salvation Army, ''Y'', various church offices, Red Cross nursery, baggage room at one end, and restaurant and dining-room at other end, and a store where the travellers may buy food for the journey. All this is on the ground floor. The first floor up has the government offices, for the reception and examination of the newcomers. The floor above that is the detention quarters.

It is four o'clock in the morning, and a steamer from overseas has just docked. We are not there yet, but on board there is abundant sign of life. Fathers and mothers are dressing sleepy children, and all the passengers are in haste to finish breakfast and packing, for they have been told everyone must be ready to leave ship sharply at seven o'clock.

At seven o'clock those travelling third class will file out from the ship into a long narrow passage-way and on into the immigration building. The reception quarters is divided into several sections—the people sometimes call them cages. The returning Canadians are put into one section, Britishers into another, non-Britishers into their space and so on. It takes a long time for all these people to answer the questions put to them by the immigration and health officials. The returning people will be taken first. When they have passed inspection they will be greeted by chaplains at the head of the stairs, and given a copy of the Gospel in their own language by the Bible Society representative. Not far from the foot of the stairs stand the church workers, railway men and friends ready to give welcome and service.

It is now seven o'clock and we are at the building. The people will not be coming down for a while so we will have a look around the building. Here is the Red Cross nursery in charge of Miss Tremaine, who did service overseas, was mentioned in despatches, and is the nurse who nursed King George when he met with an accident when visiting the troops. Isn't the nursery an attractive place with the cots, little tables and chairs, and pictures? There, just opposite the United Church office, is the desk with the ship's manifest, and Miss Scott our W.M.S. worker taking down names and addresses of the Presbyterians. She will have a long list from this boat.

The people have started to come downstairs, so we will go to see if there is anything we may do to help. There is a mother with three little children. We will take the children to the nursery while the mother has her ticket stamped. Then she will go to the nursery where she will be given a cup of ''real tea'', and the children milk and biscuits. Those girls coming down might like to be told a few things about the handling of baggage, buying of food and so forth. They are all wearing ribbons. Those ribbons tell to what part of the country they are going—red—Western Canada, blue—Ontario, white—Quebec and Eastern provinces. A green ribbon along with the other means they are going to a government hostel. Here comes a large family—all of them wearing light blue ribbons—they belong to us for the ribbons with the letters B.S.S. mean they have come under the auspices of the British Settlement Society—a society not directly under our church, but we look after them. The husband will attend to the tickets, and we will take the mother to the nursery for she looks tired already, and she has yet a long journey to go. Now the non-Britishers are commencing to come down—see that mother with a baby in her shawl, and the two little girls, exact copies of the mother with their long skirts, aprons and kerchiefs. Here is Miss Bernath, our Hungarian worker. She will explain to her about the ticket being stamped, and will then take them to the nursery. Now the door to the baggage-room is open, we will go there for a while. We will go and see how our British Settlement Society family is managing. Only the father is here, and there is a large packing-case missing. His letter is ''M'' so maybe the case is down under ''W''. Yes, there it is, and here is the checker ready to check it to the destination. Now they want to buy some food for the journey, and would feel better if some one who knows went with them. Not until all the people are downstairs do they allow anyone to go to the train. The trains are just a few steps outside the building. Now we will be busy for a while. The government conductress and her chief are outside and will tell us to which cars to take the people. There is one car for unaccompanied girls and women only, another for British families, and one for foreigners. Before the train leaves we will go through the train and give the children and mothers the gifts which our Mission Bands, and girls' clubs have sent as a welcome. Just watch the faces of all as they receive these simple little gifts! Now they are away!

Such is the programme followed for every ship. Some of the ships have all British passengers, while others are entirely foreign.

As soon as possible after the people are away we get busy on the names. Many of them have been told that some visitor from the Presbyterian Church will call on them soon after their arrival, and unless this is done, much of the work at port will not have reasonable results.

Mission Enterprise a World Enterprise

MISS MURIEL J. GRAY

''Enlarge our minds to grasp Thy Thought,
Enlarge our hearts to work Thy Plan—''

SUCH seemed the purpose underlying the deliberations of the two great missionary bodies, The Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions, and the Foreign Mission Conferences of North America, meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey, January 11-14 and January 14-17.

The Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America held the first session when representatives from about forty Boards, inclusive of Church and Christian organizations, met to consider ''Spiritual Factors in a World of Facts''. The Federation has three definite fields for co-operative service: The Day of Prayer; Christian Literature and Women's Union Christian Colleges. About the Day of Prayer, nothing need be added to the splendid account appearing in the February issue of this magazine, except the fact that particular emphasis was placed upon this year's significant celebration, the nineteen hundredth anniversary of Pentecost when it is hoped that missionary zeal will be born anew.

What could more tellingly reveal the crying need for Christian Literature in overseas lands than the picture of the little Indian lad demanding, ''Now that you have taught me to read, what are you going to give me to read?'' As a beginning, the children's magazine, ''Treasure Chest,'' has been edited in five Indian vernaculars; while in China, ''Happy Childhood,'' is filling a like gap in the lives of little folk. But the gaps are numerous and not only among juniors. Miss Margaret

Wong gave an address on ''What shall Africa read?'' and pointed out how the spaces of that vast continent made it impossible for missionaries to keep in touch with all parts and to what an extent the written word might assist in the enlightenment of natives. The same appeal was made for the students of Korea, where literature in plenty is sifting in from neighboring lands but of a kind more pernicious than helpful. China and Japan face the same shortage, as do the countries of Latin America. Introducing the afternoon's discussion on this subject, there came a message from that great disciple of Christian Literature, Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, who was unable to attend the meeting in person. ''A World Fellowship of Christian Women'' she called her paper which was given by Miss Gertrude Schultz. At the close the suggestion was made that this priceless contribution to missionary women be made available for all societies. That means a treat in store for every W.M.S.

Christian colleges spoke for themselves through living examples. There were present at the meeting, two graduates of the ''Isabella Thoburn'' College, Lucknow, India, now students at the Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York, from whence they will return to their alma mater as instructors. A young Chinese woman, also completing graduate work at Columbia, told of her return next month to her native land where she expects to feel a stranger due to the changes brought about during her three years absence. Nevertheless she spoke confidently of the present opportunity for Chinese Christians to keep close to God and maintain a spiritual balance. Companionship, fellowship, sympathy, justice and love are all demanded of Christian workers at such a time. Japan was represented likewise by a nationalist, a trainer of kindergarten teachers who had begun her Christian experience at the age of six in a missionary kindergarten. She expressed the gratitude of her countrywomen for what Christianity had brought into their lives. Help was still needed from the West to develop strong Christian personalities in Japan, ''so send out best girls,'' she pleaded. A challenge for the present to reclaim the glorious spiritual riches of the past was made by a young Czechoslovakian who seemed to have pulsing in her veins the very blood of Huss. She described the gift of Christianity which the women of her land had once possessed in their pure, just and temperate lives, and how she coveted it for them again, now that religious liberty had been attained. A young negro Y.W.C.A. Secretary was another representative of this group of revelations. She spoke for the students of her race, petitioning the Mission Boards to make use of them as Christian workers in the countries where their services would be acceptable. Such were the evidences, on the part of these various witnesses, that Christ is the centre of Christian educational work just as He is the centre of all missionary endeavor.

The Foreign Missions Conference of North America succeeded the women's meeting and comprised a greater representation of denominations and mission fields. Here interest was centred in the theme: The Foreign Missionary Movement an Essentially Evangelistic Enterprise; and throughout the numerous discussions this fact seemed to be confirmed that Jesus Christ is the only solution of missionary problems. At the opening meeting, in an address on "The Elements in the Modern World Which it Owes to Jesus Christ," Mrs. Robert Speer stressed the power of the Jerusalem Conference, an experience within the precincts of that sacred city, which took Christ out of the New Testament and made Him real. To what purpose? That His power should be released by the individual throughout the world. The means of releasing this power was explained by the next speaker, Dr. George A. Buttrick, in the simple word, love, which is the deepest, truest, highest impulse of the soul. Love, which is illumined by Christ's own life!

"How Can Christians Adequately Confront the World's Life with its Need of Christ?" was another topic for discussion. Professor Oscar M. Buck considered the relation to ethnic religion, and counselled, rather than an attitude of hostility, the preservation of the worthwhile and an attempt to centre all religions in the personality of Jesus Christ. Too great emphasis, he felt, had been laid on the similarity of Christ to other religious leaders, whereas it should be contrast and uniqueness. Particularly in His resurrection, Christ stood forth unparalleled. The missionary task for Christians is to incarnate in their lives their interpretation of Christ.

Since Christ possessed healing as well as spiritual powers, the work of medical missions has been given an important place in the programme of World Evangelism. No one is better able than the doctor to influence mind over body and soul over mind; and no one has put up a better fight for Christianity in so doing. The medical missionaries present showed how leprosy, tuberculosis, drug addiction and other diseases have all played a part in opening closed doors to the Christian life.

Rural uplift, industrial welfare, religious education, racial relationship, co-operation and friendship were other factors described as needs in the call for expansion of foreign missions. That these innovations are welcomed by the natives has been proved through the answers to a recent questionnaire sent out to thirty-seven nationalists. Of this number, only three suggested that missionaries should gradually be decreased. The others showed the desire for all types of help, but with a special plea for evangelistic workers.

This direct evangelism was the final and supreme emphasis of the conference. Reference was made by Dr. Mott to two special movements, self imposed and conceived, the one undertaken by South China to double the membership of the native Christian Church in five years; the other movement in Japan called ''The Kingdom of God Campaign,'' commencing this New Year with a similar goal. What greater challenge to the older Christian nations! What greater challenge to every individual Christian! The Kingdom of God Campaign must have been in the mind of the Greatest Evangelist when he said ''I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.''

How Our Children Kept Christmas

CHINESE

Vancouver

''AS early as October, Christmas was in the air at the Orange Hall where the Chinese Presbyterian Church has its headquarters. Teachers and workers were continually bombarded with questions, such as 'When are we going to begin practising for the Christmas concert?' 'What day will it be?'

There was more than the programme for the Christmas entertainment to prepare. There was the kindergarten closing to which are invited the parents of the children, the women of the Women's Missionary Society of the churches of the city who have always shown an active interest in the work of the Mission, and other interested friends. There were the children's gifts to be chosen and wrapped ready to be put on the tree.

Two high school boys and some men of the Mission decorated the hall with red and green streamers. At the centre of the front wall were four Chinese characters placed in a prominent position. They interpreted the Chinese for 'Merry Christmas'—translated literally—'All Hail Holy Birth.'

With child-like ecstasy the kindergarten children had been learning Christmas hymns and songs for weeks in advance of the day of the closing. Were you there to hear them sing 'Merry, Merry Christmas Everywhere' in Chinese and 'Away in a Manger' in English you could not help but feel the joy that goes with Christmas enter into your hearts. And handwork too—yes, the children had been busy making Christmas booklets with pictures of stars and bells, of the Wise Men, the Shepherds and the Babe in the Manger. And they could tell you the stories of the pictures too, for every day they had been sitting quietly listening to the stories of God's love to the world in the gift of His Son, Jesus, whose birthday they were to celebrate at Christmas.

December 16th, was the kindergarten closing. In the afternoon there assembled all the children of the kindergarten, their mothers and their younger brothers and sisters, W.M.S. ladies and friends, to share in the children's happiness.

The children gave a programme of choruses, musical action songs, games and recitations, which included the Lord's Prayer and John 3:16 in Chinese. The Band, which the children themselves enjoyed more than anyone else, gave two musical selections. Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, Provincial President, and Mrs. J. Herd, President, Westminster Presbyterial, brought greetings to the Chinese mothers. Mr. Yeung gave a Christmas message.

After the programme the children were given Christmas candies in pretty little paper baskets which they had made themselves. The mothers received useful sewing bags made by the women's Auxiliaries of Westminster Presbyterial.

The Sunday School entertainment was held the following Wednesday. This was the climax of all the happy hours of preparation and practices for many days preceding the entertainment. A large audience of Canadian and Chinese friends gathered to share the evening's enjoyment. Dr. MacBeth brought words of greeting. The kindergarten children gave three items. Each class contributed its share in carols, hymns and recitations. Every boy and girl tried to do his or her best, and in trying, like the Three Little Spirits of Christmas—Love, Joy and Work, hand in hand, enjoyed it all.

At the end of the programme came an exciting time—the distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree. Everyone was remembered—from the smallest Cradle Roll baby to the mothers and volunteer workers. A great many of the gifts were gifts of love and service contributed by members of Mission Bands and Auxiliaries, who sent in their parcels early to the Supply Secretary so that they could be given out at the Chinese Christmas Tree. Intermediate and Junior girls' and boys' classes received special gifts in the form of framed scripture mottoes for regular attendance at Sunday School.

Christmas is passed. But the joy of having had a part in making it happy for others and in telling the gospel message in story and song to those who before knew not the why of Christmas, will linger long.''

Esther Fong Dickman.

Victoria

''FOR three weeks previous to the kindergarten closing, on December 19, the children had been making paper chains as their handwork, also red tissue paper flowers. We festooned the room with chains, fastened the flowers on greenery and decorated doorways and window ledges, so the room looked quite gay. The children also helped to make invitations with cut-out bells on them, which were taken home to their mothers. It was a great pleasure to have the invitations accepted by ten Chinese ladies, a number of older brothers and sisters of the pupils, and Mrs. Cotsford, Mrs. Clay and Mrs. Brown from the Presbyterial. The children sang Christmas songs, recited texts, dramatized four nursery rhymes, and gave a group of action songs and games. Each child was then presented with a small gift, and a bag of candy, nuts and an orange. I think it was a very happy morning for them all and they loved doing their parts in the programme.''—*Gertrude Scott.*

Victoria

"OUR Sunday School concert and Christmas tree was held December 20th. We had a crowded house. Mrs. Cotsford, Presbyterial President, brought greetings from the W.M.S., Mr. Humphries, clerk of Presbytery, and Rev. D. A. Smith also took part in the programme. The senior boys of Mr. Sutherland's class spent many hours decorating our church with evergreens, which gave a very pretty effect. The different classes of the Sunday School put on a programme of carols, drills, plays and pantomine which was much enjoyed. Then followed the distribution of candy bags to the Sunday School pupils and the dismantling of the tree. Refreshments were served by the Chinese young men.''

(*Mrs. Ewen*) *Kathleen Macqueen.*

Toronto

"THE annual Christmas tree for the Chinese department of Cooke's Church Sabbath School, Toronto, was held December 21st, with a record attendance of twenty-two women and one hundred children. Supper was served at 5 p.m., followed by a short programme. A Bible reading and a brief message, in Chinese, were given by Mrs. Ma Woo, delightful songs and recitations by the children, a piano solo by one of the teachers, and a violin solo by one of the Canadian Sabbath School pupils. The songs by the children of the pre-school kindergarten were very much appreciated. The event of the evening, the distribution of gifts, followed. During the programme the eager little black eyes had been fixed longingly upon the beautiful Christmas tree, laden with gifts, which covered several tables as well, and brought delight to every heart. These gifts, for the mothers and children, were provided through the supply departments of the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian and United Churches, for which the workers were most grateful. Money donations for the supper were also provided from these sources.

Through the efforts of the Council and Presbyterial Supply Secretaries each woman who regularly attends services, was presented with a pretty bed spread. Beautiful crib quilts were also provided for special children; as well as a large quantity of dainty babies' wear, and toys for younger children. The expressions of grateful thanks on the part of the mothers, showed how much everything was appreciated. We also desire to thank all our kind friends for generous contributions for the tree.

The large attendance was made possible by our warm friends, whom we can call upon regularly each year, to furnish cars for the transportation of mothers with little children.''—*Agnes I. Dickson.*

Montreal

''OUR Christmas closing took place December 21st. Two days before, Mrs. Lamb and several ladies of Montreal Presbyterial, and the Provincial, met with Miss Jue, Mrs. Herman and myself, and arranged the presents for the children and mothers. A large number of knitted things—sweaters, scarves, mittens and caps—had been sent in by different Societies, made especially for the Chinese children. Besides these there were lots of little knitted jackets, etc., suitable for babies. The Paris Presbyterian Mission Band sent a present for each pupil, ready tied up with the name on it, every parcel looked so nice. These presents were six dressed dolls, for the six smallest girls, garters for the older ones, books for several of the boys and little combs for others, and a handkerchief for each. The ladies of the Presbyterial took charge of the refreshments and everything was arranged so nicely.

Rev. Dr. Potter acted as chairman. On the platform with him were Rev. G. C. Taylor, Rev. Forbes Robertson, Rev. A. S. Reid, Rev. David Scott and Rev. Mr. Tang. Miss Jue's brother, Gordon, made an excellent Santa Claus. The children sang and recited very creditably. There was a very good attendance at the Christmas tree in spite of a rather stormy day. There were quilts again for the mothers.''—*Ethel C. Reid.*

INDIANS

''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School

''WE had a very nice time the day we had our little programme with all our own brown people for visitors. The day before we had it, we started to get the paper bag lunches ready for dinner the next day. The seamstress who was helping us told me to take out one hundred and fifty paper bags.

Saturday morning Mr. Byers took five of us in his taxi for a ride to town, on our way we met a lot of Indians in cars, and some driving horses, and some walking, but all on their way here. On our return we saw a lot of Indians who had arrived.

When dinner time came we gave around the paper bags to the reserve people first. To our surprise there were not enough for the school children. There must have been more than one hundred and fifty reserve Indians alone.

We started the programme about two o'clock and they all went in. We had quite a crowd in the chapel. It ended about four o'clock and they all came out ready to go home. Quite a lot of them phoned for cars and even which they called 'the white bus line' came, which held about thirty Indians.''—*Mary Begg.*

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''The Christmas tree was filled with Christmas presents. There were one hundred and twenty Indians in the school. And there were eighty-five children. All the children were very happy on Christmas morning.''

—*Norman Pinesse.*

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''Well, I had better tell you how we spent our Christmas here. On Christmas eve all the children hang their stockings. Helen and I hanged ours too. And in the morning we went to get our stockings and the first thing Helen got in her stocking was a funny looking doll. How we laughed on Christmas morning. All the children had nice things in their Christmas stockings. And on Saturday, December 28th, we had our programme and we had our Christmas tree, we all had nice things from the tree. Well, we had a wonderful time on Christmas.''—*May Sinclair.*

(*These three letters were written by pupils of the school*).

Birtle

''WE had a very nice Christmas dinner and the concert and tree at night was a huge success. All the pupils were nicely trained and did well. Quite a number of parents and friends were here to share in the Christmas joy. We as a staff had a very busy time, sat up until all hours at night, making white cheese-cloth dresses for the girls' drills, all trimmed up with colored paper and tinsel, but the girls did look so pretty in their drills and did so well we were proud of them. We had the concert and tree on Christmas eve. Then the Birdtail Indians were having their tree on Christmas night and Mr. Currie decided to take the school children who belonged to the Birdtail Reserve. Mr. Miller, Miss MacKay and I went also, twelve altogether in the sleigh. We chose the shorter road. For half way it was fine, and then it grew dark and what a time we had. It had snowed heavily a few days before and we did not find a track for many miles, just plunged through unbroken roads and many times we were lost. However, we arrived about 8.30 p.m., having been on the road about five hours. The Indians had arranged the tree and programme and we took a box of gifts, something for every woman and each child, so they were very pleased to have us. Coming back it snowed and our horses were so fagged out. It was 5.30 a.m. when we reached home. The children slept all the way and Miss MacKay and I were kept busy covering them up. We will not repeat the trip, although had we not gone Mr. Miller would not have been there and the Indians were so pleased we took their children out, so altogether we were very glad we went.''—*Mrs. H. B. Currie.*

Mistawasis

"OUR Christmas tree entertainment was held December 23rd in the Church. The school children provided half of the programme. We had a good crowd and all enjoyed the afternoon. I received a box of Christmas things from the 'Star' Mission Band, at Estevan, Sask., also a small box from a Mission Band in Orillia, Ontario, and I got word of a bale that had been sent by the 'Alexander' Bible Class of Chalmers' Church, Toronto. I also received two parcels of clothing including dresses, scarfs, stockings and mitts for the children from Ottawa, and I have been unable to find the name of the sender. I would certainly like to send a letter of appreciation for everything was so nicely made and just what I needed."—*Sadie McQueen.*

Some of the pupils attending the Mistawasis Indian Day School

FORT McMURRAY HOSPITAL

"WE have had a cold snap for one week. Yesterday it was 46 below. To-day it has tried to moderate a bit. We have been spoiled having so much fine weather. We never seem to be ready to receive the much below zero mark, graciously. It has its advantage for everyone seems well and how glad we should be too, that everyone can enter into the proper spirit at this season. I go down twice a week to the school, with my little organ and play for the children for their carols for their Christmas entertainment."

"'That dream about 'flying out' was too good to be true. Wouldn't it have been lovely had I been able to do so, but duty called me hence. The day the plane left for Edmonton with eight passangers, was the day set for the children's concert, at which I was to play for their Christmas carols, and I would not disappoint them for worlds, for it is the one thing of the year they look eagerly forward to, their school concert, and then 'our' party afterwards. The poor little things are starved, you might say, for many of the ordinary child's enjoyments in life, but they seem so happy in themselves and are so wholesome, they really do not know what they have missed. Outside of one family, they all have a mother and that is one thing I am so glad for. It is so sad to see a little child, who longs for a mother's love."—*Olive Ross.*

JEWS

Toronto

"FOR three weeks before Christmas cantata practice was the order of the day. As the night for the entertainment drew near the air was filled with expectancy. It was whispered among the children, that Santa Claus was to come, as indeed he always had in years past, and it would certainly have been sad if those little ones were disappointed. Maybe the children thought that all the wonderful gifts came from Santa's workshop in the North Pole, but the workers at the 'Scott Institute knew that they had spent many, many hours picking out for about 150 children what they thought would be each heart's desire.

The auditorium was packed to capacity, and the manner in which the choir of twenty children rendered the Christmas message in song and recitation was beautiful and inspiring. As for the children, they became for the time being lost in the spirit of the great event which they were portraying. And, were they not themselves direct sons and daughters of the Jewish characters whom they represented? We felt that the Gospel was being preached by the children in a better way than we could have done it."—*Rose Paton.*

INDIA

Mendha

"CHRISTMAS is drawing near, and, as usual, all are busy preparing. It is the 'Bara Din' (great Day) for our Indian Christians and they are looking eagerly toward it. For the children it means something new in clothing, for some the first dress, and the only one for the year, for others a 'Sunday' dress. Last week we made dark blue flannelette pants for the small boys with which we shall try to get cheap cotton sweaters. For the baby boys, light blue dresses, and pale pink for the girl babies. They do look interesting in their separate piles ready for the small dark children who will be so pleased. The older boys will get new pants and shirts, and the girls new dresses and 'chaddars' (cotton head coverings). Then we plan to have sports for both children and grown-ups, and a concert by the school children.''—*Clara L. Young.*

Jhansi

''WE had a lovely Christmas. In many ways it was the homiest one I have spent in India. As usual, all the preachers and their families were in from the villages for the dinner. Then the week following there were special meetings for both the men and the women.''

—*F. Irene Stringer.*

Prayer

OUR Father in heaven, we come to Thee believing that Thou art able and willing to grant the earnest petitions which we offer at Thy throne of grace. Thou are great and high and holy, but we thank Thee that through the merits of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, we may approach Thy mercy seat and find grace to help in every hour of need. We would pray for ourselves, because we know that if we are not inspired by love for Thee, all the work we do, all the words we speak will profit us nothing. Holy Spirit, wilt Thou come into our hearts and drive out whatever is holding us back from true service. Make us willing and ready to have our prayers answered. Our Father, we pray for our Church in all her interests. Fill Thy ministers with such a desire for souls that they will preach the gospel so lovingly and so convincingly that men, women and children, too, will be drawn to yield themselves to Thee. We would ask for a special blessing on Thy servants in the far-off places of our land. Thou knowest the hardships of their lives. Wilt Thou be very near to every home missionary, teacher, nurse and doctor and help them according to their need. We would pray also for those who are representing us in the lands beyond the seas. In their times of perplexity and despondency help them to remember Thine own promise given with the commission to preach the gospel, ''Lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world.'' Holy Spirit, wilt Thou be present with us in our meeting, give us wisdom in our decisions, and grant that all we do may be in accordance with Thy mind and will. These blessings we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mrs. Jonathan Goforth—Pioneer

Szepingkai, Manchuria, China.

"THE beautiful medal and pin has just reached me, forwarded by registered post from Miss Crockett in Peiping.

How can I express all I feel as I look at this medal with its inscription *'Pioneer Service.'* I am glad for this word *Pioneer* for it is the best word to represent our service in China. From 1888 to 1902, we were engaged founding the work first at Chu wang, then as the Lord so wonderfully opened the way, we went on and opened Changteho. In 1902, when the Honan Mission was reorganized after the disruption of the Boxer uprising, Changteho came to be fully manned by the addition of the old Chu wang force (that station having been abandoned). This left Dr. Goforth and I free for the 'regions beyond,' and from 1902 to 1909 our work was opening up out-stations in the region north and northwest of Changteho city. Then came the call to hold revival missions both in Honan and elsewhere throughout China. From 1909 to 1918 our time was taken up between those revival missions and continuing the country pioneering north of Changteho. In 1919, Dr. Goforth gave up all work in Honan and returned later only as he was invited to help out. Twice in response to a call from Honan he toured the whole of the Changte field. On one of these occasions I accompanied him, this was in 1920, but I regret to say that was my last long country tour for many years, till indeed we reached Manchuria. From 1920 on my health has forbidden long journeys by cart, etc. Then as you all know in 1926 we came to China again as pioneers, seeking a new field. And, oh, beloved friends, how I would like to speak with you face to face and tell of the Lord's marvellous goodness to me these three and a half years! I need not now recall these years for you have followed us and know how the Lord has brought me back again and again from the Borderland, and by His great grace has enabled me to be with my husband in opening Szepingkai, then Tungliao, then Taonan, and now a new place, Chengchiatun. To Him be the glory.

Again let me thank you all with indeed a full heart, for your loving sympathy and kindness to me, and for sending me this beautiful token of your appreciation."

Yours for China's salvation, —*Rosalind Goforth.*

"Be trustful, be steadfast, whatever betide thee,
Only one thing do thou ask of the Lord,—
Grace to go forward wherever He guide thee,
Simply believing the truth of His word."

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

OWING to an unprecedented sale of our study books this year, COURIERS OF THE KING is out of print. We doubled the order of this book, but they are now all gone. We hope each Auxiliary has at least two or three copies. Some must have many more from the size of the orders. All we can do now is suggest, that ''Lands of Promise,'' or ''From Jerusalem to Jerusalem'', be used by any desiring books to finish their year's work. Meantime we are working on the new study books which should be ready by July 1st, and we promise the number printed will be so large that there should be enough to go around. Meantime, if you have a copy of ''Couriers of the King'' share it with those less fortunate.

Easter is in the air, and for the Mission Bands and Sunday School programmes we have EASTER TIDINGS a delightful book of recitations, songs and pageants. Price, each 35c.

THE PARAMOUNT EASTER BOOKS No. 1, 2, and 3, have recitations, dialogues, playlets and songs. Price, each 35c.

THAT JESUS MAY BE LIFTED UP is the day of prayer (March 7th) programme, beautifully gotten up in eight pages. Price, each 1c.

WHITHER BOUND IN MISSIONS by Daniel J. Fleming is an interesting book from the Council of Christian Associations, and gives a broad outlook on our great world work. Board cover $1.25.

A CLOUD OF WITNESSES by Elsie Singmaster is a new book issued by the Central Committee of Foreign Missions, and contains the life story in short form of Bible women, teachers, physicians, pastor's wives and, in short, many who have helped make the missions to humanity on the whole successful. It covers activities in many parts of the world, and Canadian women will be especially interested in an article on Mrs. G. L. Mackay of Formosa, which appears on page 159. Paper 50; cloth 75c.

THE TREASURE HUNT by Margaret R. Seebach is a book of missionary stories from the same Committee as ''A Cloud of Witnesses'', and tells stories of missionary work in a way that will delight Mission Band leaders, Sunday School teachers and all interested in the younger members. Paper 50c; cloth 75c.

Please do not forget the following books, which we have stocked in quantities:—

THE DESIRE OF ALL NATIONS. Cloth $1.50; paper 50c.

IN DAYS OF OLD that wonderful story of the Old Testament by Katharine L. MacPherson $2.00.

CHRIST OF EVERY ROAD the new book on Pentecost by E. Stanley Jones, of such interest in this year of Pentecost. Bound in cloth, $1.50.

HOW I KNOW GOD ANSWERS PRAYER by Mrs. Goforth and

BY MY SPIRIT, the new book out by Dr. Goforth, each $1.25.

THE BOOK OF BABIES, THE BOOK OF A CHINESE BABY, and THE BOOK OF AN INDIA BABY are again in stock and make splendid story books for the missionary Sunday at the Sabbath School, each 35c.

LEARNING BY DOING is the little Mission Band book that is very helpful and suggestive for the work hour. Price each 20c.

Three new leaflets have been ordered and should be ready for distribution when this issue comes from the press. They are:

SHAKEN, a nice little Mite Box dialogue.

MARJORIE MEMORANDUM, an interesting leaflet on the important question in every home, of boys' and girls' savings.

TOM SETS HIS GIVING FREE is the third and is based on adult saving and giving.

We cannot price these at present but they will cost somewhere between 3c. and 5c. each. Order your supply anyway and invoice will be sent promptly.

SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF OTHERS

''I am delighted with *The Glad Tidings* and the splendid account of the Reunion of the Scottish Churches. I know every step of the way they took. I only wish I could have been there to see the union of the burning bush. It came at last.'' —*Alberta.*

''I got a great thrill out of that 'increasing subscription list' mentioned in the December *Glad Tidings* and congratulate you on the pretty cover. Nor can I overlook the contents, everything so good. I just love that Huron Christmas Carol.'' —*Ontario.*

''I like the new dress of the *Glad Tidings* and I like the poem on the front page.'' —*Ontario.*

''We wish to thank you for the donation of *Glad Tidings* to the College during the past year and shall be pleased to have it for our reading shelves for the coming year. This magazine is quite often referred to in connection with the missionary work of the Presbyterian Church.''

—*Librarian, Knox College.*

OUR LETTER BOX

A Mela

"Sarnia," British Guiana.

"WE have visited all existing stations and were very glad to see our folks again, in the various villages on the coast and on the islands. At Wakenaam, an island in the Essequibo River, where we have five stations, the East Indians got up a special meeting or *mela*, inviting all the Christians and other friends to attend, to welcome us. Fortunately, too, for that week we had the head of the Berbice Boys' High School staying with us, and he was able to join us on the island for the Sunday services and be present at the *mela* on Monday when he gave a delightful address on, 'Christian Love.' There was a good crowd of Hindus and Christians present, and after various addresses by catechists, Mr. Fisher and myself were presented with a beautifully printed address and 'garlanded.' Following the meeting came the usual feast of fowl and mutton curry and rice, of which we all partook a little, but it would astonish you to see how much the East Indians can eat of such a diet. Later, when the sun had set, they gathered together beneath the trees on benches and chairs, tables, etc., and procured a drum of goat skin, a small portable harmonium, and in lieu of a triangle, one lad held a cutlass and

Welcoming Mela at MacKay Memorial School, Wakenaam banged it with a piece of iron! To the music ? obtained by these varied instruments they sang Hindu bajans. We left them at nine p.m., still singing and banging.'' —*Ethel and R. G. Fisher.*

An Iceberg on Rails

Fort McMurray, Alta.

''I ARRIVED in Fort McMurray on the 7th. The train was twelve hours late, so it was after eleven in the evening when I reached my destination. I do not seem a very good mascot to have on our line. One should not complain when one saw the wonderful engineer and fireman all frosted up and the engine itself looked like a big iceberg. The poor engineer had been on duty twenty-eight hours without any sleep. As I mentioned before, I think, the crew are so wonderful, for we are all personally acquainted, and it makes one feel part of a big family, for they look after the passengers so well and are so courteous and kind and see to your every comfort, also cater to one's appetite, which is a great thing on a holiday, and how good some one else's cooking tastes!

The Alberta and Great Waterways was the original name and the other northern line E., D. & B. C. Rly. (Edmonton, Dunvegan and British Columbia) have amalgamated, and it is all known now as Northern Alberta Railway and the C.P.R. and C.N.R. run them jointly.

I love the little children. I see such a big change in them since I first saw them four years ago, and we are having such a lovely Sunday School attendance now. I am going to try to have the little party soon. It has been so very cold, one can not make many plans. I feel dreadfully when I mention the cold. It sounds like a complaint, but it is wonderfully healthy weather.

The little hospital is much more comfortable, as it was well plastered and whitewashed and well banked up. I have been a little more extravagant with coal oil, for I have a little heater, and it is wonderful how it draws the cold out of the corners and just at present I am enjoying it in my sitting room and office, as one would a fire-place. It is such a treat not to be looking at the stoves so much. So when you ask, is there anything to make the little place more comfortable, the answer is—nothing—only please forgive me for using extra oil.''

—*Olive Ross.*

''Heroic daring is the true success.''
—*E. B. Browning.*

The Library Department

Little Indians Love Pictures

Birtle, Man.

"OUR Mission Band leaders were very glad to receive the study books. I read them carefully and think they are just splendid. Mr. Currie used the gospels and picture cards for our children in Sunday School. Quite a number of the little ones cannot read but they just love the cards. The picture rolls I have hung in our hospital ward and they will be much used all winter.

We have many Indians visiting their children in school, and I always try to send a little reading matter home with them to their reserves, as our Indians certainly need something to elevate them. I feel especially sorry for the women and little children, they live lonely lives away on these scattered reserves and the winters are so long and their homes so poor."

—*Mrs. H. B. Currie.*

So Do Northern Ontario Children

Matheson, Ont.

"THANK you for the Sunday School picture rolls and the lovely book you sent us. I am glad and thankful for them as they will help me with the children. I had often wished I had those large pictures. The book, I'll give to the one doing her part the best at Christmas, for which we are now practising."

—*Amalie Veitch.*

Miss Veitch and her Sunday School.

The little girl, holding the small child, got the Bible sent by our Library Department, for answering the most questions correctly.

[Miss Veitch is a teacher who is also doing Sunday School work, and deserves all the help we can give her.—EDITOR].

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggested Bible Reading for March

GIVING

MRS. J. C. MCCONACHIE

In considering this topic, let us think first of the one and only Giver, the Creator and Owner of all things. Psalm 104:24; Ps. 103:2-5; John 3:16.

The Great Gift.—Beside this, set Roman 8:32 and ask, "What, then, shall I *render* unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me!" Not, what shall I *give,* for I have nothing, save what *He* has put into my hands. Read II King 12:9. First the altar, then the bared money chest. These two symbolize all that it is possible for us to render unto the Lord. The one signifies worship, our attitude toward God, the other represents service, our attitude toward both God and men. On the *altar* we lay our love and gratitude, our repentance and confession, our self-surrender and consecration. Then into the *chest* we drop our money, our time, our works, our words, our strength and our influence; and we bring the whole and *set it beside the altar*—a consecrated offering to the Lord.

Our Attitude at the Altar—Our Lord says: Matt. 5:23, 24, and St. Paul, 1 Cor. 13:3.

The Motive Behind the Gift.—Luke 21:3, 4.

How to Give.—Matt. 6:3, 4.

Christ's Commendation.—Matt. 25:40.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Dear Leaders and Girls:

WHEN attending the great missionary conferences held in Atlantic City, January 11-17, many were the interesting facts stored up for the W.M.S. members; but you were often in my thoughts, and here are some of the incidents brought back to you about the girls in the various "Lands of Promise."

First of all, I want to draw your attention to the date, March 7, which is recognized universally as The World Day of Prayer. Read about it in the February *Glad Tidings,* pp. 41, 45-53. Perhaps the hour set apart for the public meeting makes it impossible for you to attend; but, wherever you are, send up a petition for the women and girls of the world, just as the voices of your sisters overseas will be lifted to ask God's blessing upon you. Also note the fact that one of the authors of the service is a young Korean, Miss Helen Kim. Could you not use the ''Call to Prayer'' or some other portion of the suggested programme in the devotional period of your regular week-end meeting?

Read again Acts 2. It is the account of Pentecost, the birth of missionary zeal in the Christian Church. Do you know that this spring celebrates the nineteen hundredth anniversary of Pentecost? Won't you help to make it a worthwhile celebration by increasing your interest in world friendship?

There were present at the meetings in Atlantic City, two young women from India, taking graduate work at Columbia University, in order to return as qualified teachers to their country. These girls wore their beautiful native saris with all the grace of the east in the midst of their western environment. One of them made a striking picture as she stood before her audience, holding in her hand a modern cablegram which carried congratulations from her mother and greetings from her Christian community in India. The other girl had spent her summer vacation at camps interesting American schoolgirls in their Indian sisters.

Another nationalist at the conference was a young Chinese student whose graduate course was just completed and who expected to leave shortly for home. She also hopes to serve her country. The flowery Empire of Japan seemed personified by the dainty little kindergarten teacher who had sent out from her training school in Japan, sixty or more native kindergarteners to spread happiness among the kiddies of the Empire. Although the Czechoslovakian representative wore the interesting garb of her land, her English put many a delegate to shame. She said that the women and girls in Czechoslovakia had a great place in the nation's religious life. The last of this group was a young negro Y.W.C.A. secretary who had attended at Christmas time the student gathering in Montreal. The world is not so wide.

What to give the children in overseas lands to read is a question of missionary interest. These children have been taught to read but there is no public library 'round the corner for them. ''Happy Childhood'' is a Christian magazine published in China which has recently been translated into a second Chinese dialect. The young native girl to assist in this work has no hands. I expect you are asking the question which came into my mind. What happened to her hands? Remember that child welfare has never existed in many of these far-away lands. Just one girl in five has a chance for education in Korea.

In Africa, schools are now in great demand, but in some localities the children are not permitted to attend because the grownups must have the first chance at this new reading and writing.

The men of Persia contend that if they allow their women and girls to take off the purda or veil, the mysterious charm of life will have vanished. Persia is a land of poverty, where even the little children must work. Day after day they sit in cramped positions weaving the beautiful rugs so soft to the footstep, and as they weave they sing.

This is the final incident symbolic of the friendships which you may weave with the girls of other lands, and as you weave, sing.

Your secretary on the Council Executive, —*Muriel J. Gray.*

P.S.—Here is something for the various organizations to think about. Formosa and India are contemplating girls' work along the lines of the Canadian Girls in Training. How can you help these girls with suggestions and encouragement? Miss Margaret Ramsay and Miss Irene Stringer would be glad to pass on any communication to the girls.

MISSION BANDS

Rally Day Programme

MRS. J. W. DILL

Hymn.—Processional—783 ''Whither Pilgrims'' (as part song).

Motto.—''Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father, which is in heaven.''

Rally Song.—''We've a Story to Tell''—797.

Scripture Lesson (These texts to be committed to memory by the Band members)—Gen. 1:3. Psa. 18:28. Job 29:3. Isa. 60:1, 2. Matt. 5:14, 15. Luke 12:35. Matt. 5:16. John 9:5. John 12:35, 36. John 12:46. Eph. 5:8. 2 Cor. 4:6. John 8:12. Rev. 22:5.

Prayer.—

Dear God, Who gave us parents
Who love Thy holy name,
We pray for other parents
Whose love is just the same.
We pray for many messengers
To guide them to the Light
And ask Thy help, dear Father
To keep our candles bright.

Greetings.

Address.

Offering and Prayer.—

Accept our gifts, Lord Jesus
Accept our service, too,
May our youthful hearts be Thine.
Fill our souls with love divine
To our motto keep us true. Amen.

Hymn.—"God of Heaven, Hear Our Singing"—799.

Sentence Prayers.

Benediction.

NOTE: Suggested exercise. Let all, standing, right hand lifted, repeat in unison "Candles" from study book, page 2.

Our Youngest Missionary

Vancouver, B.C.

"MAE SIN JUNG is going to China and every little child in the Vancouver kindergarten, from fat little two your old, A Joy Lum, who looks like a wee stuffed rabbit with his many coats on, to five year old Lan Hing Yeung and our little Violet who sings so sweetly—shall miss Mae Sin very much.

May Sin Jung (left) and her brother Sam Cheung (right).

Mae Sin has just one brother, Sam Cheung, and he is going too. But he is two years older than Mae Sin and boys just love being sailors, so you know he is too much thrilled with the thought of being a sailor boy to think of the serious business of leaving his little friends. Mae Sin is such a real little lady she constrains her emotions and always keeps so sober and quiet, she does not even smile.

Now I'm going to tell you a secret. Mae Sin is taking many things to China with her besides her little red coat, and she is going to give these wonderful things to her little country women. Could you guess what these are. Why, little stories of Jesus and hymns about Him: 'I have such a wonderful Saviour,' 'Jesus Loves Me,' and many others, for Mae Sin dearly loves to sing.

She is our very youngest missionary in China. Won't you ask God to keep Jesus in her heart and mind, and to bring Mae Sin and her brother safely to Canada in a few more years for we want her to know much more about Jesus?" —*S. M. Crawford.*

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

PRESBYTERIAN women in Edmonton observed Friday, January 24th, as their day of prayer. The meeting was held in First Church with a very good attendance.

The members of First Church Auxiliary, Edmonton, are gathering books for Sunday School libraries to assist Dr. White and Rev. Mr. Wright with their work in the Peace River District. ''Willing Workers'' Mission Band are fortunate in securing Mrs. F. G. Thomson as leader. Mrs. Thomson was formerly the story-teller in one of the Toronto libraries. Rev. D. G. McQueen, D.D., and Mrs. McQueen are spending part of the winter in California. Their many friends hope they may return much benefited by the trip.

Westmount Presbyterian Church, Edmonton, reports a banner year. All the officers of the W.M.S. were elected by acclamation and the Mission Band has one Life Member, three Junior Members and one gold seal Member.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert MacMicking have recently moved from Calgary to Edmonton. Mrs. MacMicking is a welcome addition to W.M.S. circles in Edmonton.

The W.M.S. of Knox Church, Red Deer, had a good year, and splendid reports were presented at their annual meeting.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. WM. CUTHBERT, 1820-5TH AVE., W., VANCOUVER, PRESS SECRETARY

A SPECIAL meeting of the Provincial Board was held in Central Church, Vancouver, January 13th. Arrangements were made for the annual Provincial meeting which will be held in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria. The Council Exectuive representative is Miss Bessie MacMurchy.

Miss Pelton, Field Secretary, attended the session, and outlined a course of lectures to be given by herself to the young women. It is her hope to establish a more sympathetic attitude towards missions, by a fuller knowledge of this important subject. The board heartily endorsed the plan and steps are being taken to have Miss Pelton meet the young women of the Church.

Westminster P.S.—Preparations are afoot in all departments of the W.M.S. in view of the coming annual meetings of the Provincial and Presbyterial.

The January meeting of Fairview Church Auxiliary was somewhat of a ''big'' day. Mrs. Thomas Wilson, the new President, greeted the Mission Band at the close of the regular meeting. Mr. Ellis, the minister, addressed the gathering, and the little ones had an interesting talk from Mrs. Angus McKenzie on the subject of winning a banner. Certain passages of scripture committed to memory, and an attendance 100 per cent. gives a Mission Band possession of the banner for a year.

Miss Sibyl Crawford, deaconess, and Miss Dickman kindergarten superintendent, wish to thank all who sent Christmas gifts to the Chinese Mission.

Victoria P.S. annual meeting met in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, January 14th, Mrs. Cotsford in the chair. Mrs. Ledingham, Provincial President, led the devotions and also gave information regarding the work and needs of our W.M.S. Much interest was shown in the reports which were most gratifying. A considerable amount of work has been accomplished during the year, and we feel that God has answered prayer. Miss Pelton gave an interesting talk on the growth of the Society throughout the Western Provinces. She urged the need of greater effort that the work so well begun might continue with even more energy. Miss Pelton remains with us a few weeks and will meet the young women of the Church.

The Late Mrs. Christina McCallum

Kootenay P.S.—It is our sad duty to record another parting from a beloved friend, Mrs. Christina McCallum, who passed away in September, in Nelson at the age of eighty-four. She was always deeply interested in every local benevolence, but her great love was for the W.M.S. In the sad days that followed June, 1925, when Nelson lost so heavily and was so disheartened, she went about encouraging, praying, giving in accordance with her means, not resting until she had her beloved W.M.S. started again. Truly hers was a record of life, work and giving, worthy of emulation, and *she being dead yet liveth.*

Nelson Auxiliary has met its allocation.

New Denver regrets the removal to the coast of one of their active members, Miss Clever. Kimberley also feels the loss by removal, of Rev. and Mrs. Wright. Mrs. McLean, deaconess, addressed the annual meeting in November. The Mission Band took part at this service.

Creston Auxiliary held their Thank-offering in December, when Mrs. Sherwood was especially honored. The Maple Leaf Mission Band is sending a quilt to the Chinese manse, Vancouver. The work here is very encouraging.

ONTARIO

MRS. G. TOWER FERGUSSON, 70 MADISON AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SECRETARY

THE Ontario Provincial Board held morning and afternoon sessions on February 7th and 8th, in St. Paul's Church, Bathurst St., Toronto. The annual Secretarial reports were received and arrangements for the coming annual meeting advanced another stage towards completion.

The Presbyterian Day of Prayer was universally observed throughout the province. The subject chosen for the address ''Guardians of a Heritage'' afforded an opportunity for a variety of approach, of which the speakers were quick to take advantage.

Barrie P.S.—Mrs. J. H. Eaton, Orillia, was greeted by a large attendance when she addressed the Thank-offering meeting of the Midland Auxiliary.

East Nottawasaga were honored in having as their speaker, Mrs. Moyne, a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goforth.

Dunedin reports splendid co-operation between Auxiliary members and Home Helpers in their year's work.

The W.M.S. meetings of Central Oro have been marked by a deepening interest throughout the year. Their Thank-offering meeting was addressed by Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ottawa.

In December last the executive issued a bright little news bulletin, with the object of giving more publicity to the work of the W.M.S. in connection with their 44 Auxiliaries.

Chatham P.S.—The sixteenth annual meeting, held in Knox Church, Dresden, January 15th and 16th, was characterized by an atmosphere of quiet confidence and deep spirituality. The special speakers were Rev. J. B. Cropper, D.D., on British Guiana, and Mrs. Tape on the Knox College Summer School. The Mission Band of Knox Church, Dresden, presented the pageant ''As ye sow.''

Guelph P.S.—St. Andrew's Church, Guelph, January 29th, morning and afternoon sessions. The amount raised for missions, $7,700 and value of bales $995. The special speaker was Mrs. L. Ballantyne, Publications Secretary.

Hamilton P.S.—Central Church, Hamilton, January 28th and 29th. Throughout the addresses of the President, Mrs. H. C. McKellar, Mr. J. F. Goforth, Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, Miss P. B. Lamont, and Rev. J. B. Cropper, D.D., and the W.M.S. reminiscences of its pioneer days by Mrs. (Dr.) Samuel Lyle, all present sensed a meeting of unusual spiritual helpfulness.

Lindsay P.S.—St. Andrew's Church, Lindsay. The morning session was devoted to secretarial reports and an account of Knox College

Summer School, by Miss Bessie Ewan, of Uxbridge. In the afternoon, Mrs. D. Strachan, President of the W.M.S., addressed the meeting.

Ottawa P.S.—St. Giles' Church, Ottawa, January 21st. Inspirational meeting, with reports covering the work of the year, and inspiring addresses by Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary, and Rev. J. B. Cropper, D.D., of British Guiana. Greetings of the Ottawa Presbytery were conveyed by Rev. A. G. Cameron.

Paris P.S.—Mrs. W. M. Rochester, President of Ontario Provincial Society, addressed Knox Church Auxiliary, Woodstock, in November.

Splendid Thank-offering meetings have been held throughout this Presbyterial, at which addresses were delivered by Mrs. C. S. McDonald, Mrs. R. C. Campbell, Mrs. R. A. Paterson and Mrs. M. J. Breckenridge.

Knox Church, Woodstock, January 16th. The attendance was large and secretarial reports recorded growth and increased givings, the allocation having been over-subscribed. The two speakers, Misses Douglas and Bernath, from the Deaconess Training Home, deepened the interest in the Candidate Department. The report of the Knox College Summer School was given by Miss Margaret McLean, Innerkip, Presbyterial representative. A strong minority group, at St. George, although without a church home, has organized an active Auxiliary.

Toronto P.S.—Cooke's Church, Toronto, January 30th and 31st, over 700 registered delegates from over 70 Auxiliaries, public meetings largely attended and wide interest created, secretarial reports encouraging. The first evening was Canadian in character when addresses on Ontario, British Columbia and Manitoba, were delivered by Ross Cameron, John Y. Fraser and James Munro, all students of Knox College, and an impressive presentation of a C.G.I.T. meeting by Todmorden Group. On the second evening, our overseas fields, Manchuria, was spoken of by Fred. Goforth son of Rev. Jonathan Goforth, and British Guiana, by Rev. Dr. J. B. Cropper. Mrs. Strachan brought greetings from the Council Executive and Rev. F. Lundie, Moderator, from the Toronto Presbytery.

Peterborough P.S.—The W.M.S. of Lakefield Presbyterian Church has, during the past year, lost four of its members, each of whom had given liberally of her time and substance to the Presbyterian Church, viz., in March, Mrs. Archie Quinn; in August, Miss Tanner; in October, Miss Preston; and in November, an Hon. Past. President, Mrs. Andrew Fairbairn. May the memory of these lives of devoted service for the Master inspire us with zeal and courage to go forward to do better things in His work.

Saugeen P.S.—The executive, which met at Harriston, January 16th, reports the allocation exceeded; Mission Band banner won by Holstein Band; in three rural Auxiliaries every woman in the congregation a member, and Day of Prayer universally observed.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, THE ''MANSE'', BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

MONTREAL P.S.—Quiet and steady advance was noted by the President, Mrs. A. W. Lamb, in her address at the annual meeting in Stanley Church, Montreal, February 4th and 5th. Mrs. Lamb reviewed the progress in the various departments. The devotion of the Auxiliaries to the work of the Church, she noted, was reflected in the Treasurer's statement, which showed the allocation exceeded, while administration expenses amounted to only 1.01 per cent. A bright feature of the year had been the growing desire for information about our fields and workers. Information was one of the sources of inspiration to continued effort.

The financial statement showed total receipts $17,292.70, of which Auxiliaries contributed $14,874.89; Y. W. A.'s and Associate Societies $1,090.77; Teen-age Groups $90.70; Mission Bands $987.05. The sum of $17,075 was sent to the Provincial Treasurer.

There are 98 branches, increase of 6. These are comprised of 37 Auxiliaries, membership 1,418; Home Helpers 1,027; 17 Y.W. Auxiliaries, membership 281; 20 Girl's Groups, membership 312; 24 Mission Bands, membership 810; total membership, 3,848. There were 11 Honorary Members, 42 Life Members, 16 In Memoriam subscriptions, 16 Junior Members, from which $2,705 accrued.

Reports from Departmental Secretaries and the Treasurer were given in the morning, also greetings from the Provincial, by Mrs. I. C. Sharp, and an appreciation of the W.M.S. by Rev. A. S. Reid, Superintendent of Missions.

Speaking at the afternoon session, Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll, Toronto, emphasized work among the young people; Rev. J. B. MacLean, D.D., Moderator of the Synod, preached on ''The Holy War''; Mrs. Gouldthorpe, Superintendent of Huntingdon School Home, reported 24 children in residence—17 boys and 7 girls—and 5 applications refused through lack of accommodation.

In the evening, Rev. Dr. A. F. Scott Pearson, of the Presbyterian Theological College, addressed the meeting, speaking on the need of an educated ministry and the existence of the college to supply the need. Greetings were received from the Presbytery by the Moderator, Rev. Dr. J. G. Potter; Dr. W. D. Reid led the devotions and Rev. James Adams pronounced the benediction.

Changes in Secretaries: Rec., Mrs. J. G. Munroe; Treas., Mrs. R. A. Kerr; Girl's Work, Mrs. A. W. Pae; Asst. Mission Band, Mrs. Thos. Young; Home Helpers, Mrs. Henry Aitken and Mrs. A. H. Grace; Welcome and Welfare, Mrs. R. W. Percy and Mrs. R. W. Dickie; Mission Band and Girl's Supply, Mrs. M. E. Pritchard; Lit., Mrs. A. Allen; Press, Mrs. W. Grant Stewart.

The Young Women's branches held a rally in the lecture hall of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, Montreal, February 3rd. Mrs. J. F. Fowlie, Secty. of the Y. W. Department, presided. Rev. Dr. George H. Donald gave the address of welcome. The roll call was answered by the reading of reports from the branches. Mrs. Pae reported on the Huntingdon Leaders' Training Course. Dr. Margaret O'Hara, of India, gave an impressive address.

SASKATCHEWAN

Mrs. E. G. D. MacEachern, 1934 Victoria Ave., Regina, Press Secretary

PRINCE ALBERT-SASKATOON P.S.—The January meeting of the W.M.S. of St. Andrew's Church, Saskatoon, was addressed by the Rev. S. H. Hill, of Parkview Church. The Presbyterian Women's Day of Prayer programme was followed, the different members taking part. Two members were appointed to represent the Auxiliary at the annual Presbyterial meeting.

Rev. S. H. Hill, minister of Parkview Church, addressed the W.M.S. at its January meeting, taking as his topic, ''The Power of Prayer.'' This meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay. Mr. Hill spoke a few words of appreciation of the aged couple who are eighty-seven and eighty-five years respectively.

Regina P.S.—The annual Presbyterial meeting was held in First Church, Regina, January 16th. Mrs. J. A. Sinclair presided and welcomed the guests. In spite of the fact that the thermometer registered forty degrees below zero, there was a very fair attendance from nearly all the points in the district. The morning session was devoted to reports of the departmental secretaries. Devotional exercises were taken by Mrs. McAfee, Qu'Appelle, and Mrs. McLaren, Indian Head. The Presbyterial allocation was exceeded.

Mrs. Robb, Corresponding Secretary, gave a summary of the work accomplished by the Presbyterial, comprised as it is of 12 Auxiliaries, with a membership of 170; 10 Mission Bands; 3 Associated Societies and one C.G.I.T. Group. One hundred and fifty *Glad Tidings* were reported. Heward Auxiliary reported having made Mrs. W. J. Stuart an Honorary Member. Mrs. Stuart is the first in this province on whom this honor has been conferred. Mrs. Walker, of Carnduff, gave the dedicatory prayer, and Mrs. Cook, of Broadview, the installation prayer.

Changes in officers—Mrs. J. M. Robb, Press Sec. and Corr. Sec.; Mrs. T. A. Naismith, Treas.; Mrs. J. E. Tanner, Supply Sec.; Welcome and Welfare, Y. W., and C.G.I.T. Secretaries will be reported later.

Rev. S. Farley conducted the Communion service at the close of the afternoon session. This service seemed a most fitting ending to a day spent considering and reviewing the work done for missions in the Master's name, and also provided an opportunity for communion for some who, owing to the lack of a Church home with a stationed minister in charge, have not such a privilege.

Rev. Dr. Bayne presided at the evening meeting when greetings from Presbytery and Synod were brought by Rev. S. Farley. A lantern lecture on the Gwalior Mission was given by Mrs. J. W. Hedley.

Regina P.S.—Knox Presbyterian Church, Whitewood, reported a very interesting meeting in January, Mrs. G. E. Lougheed presiding. Mrs. R. McDonald, of Whitewood, formerly Mrs. Henderson of Brandon, addressed the meeting, taking as her topic ''Guardians of a Heritage.'' We are pleased to note that Mrs. McDonald is an Honorary Life Member.

Life Members

Alberta Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBER

Miss Annie Smith, Westmount Ch. Aux., Edmonton.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Annabelle Tolmie, Muriel Blott, Billy Acton, Rosemary Tait (gold seal), ''Wilkie'' M.B., Edmonton.

Correction.—In January issue Mrs. Jean S. Jackson should read Miss Jean S. Jackson, St. Andrew's Aux., Lethbridge.

British Columbia Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBER

Mrs. T. Hagreen Davies, Knox Aux., Victoria.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Marion McDonald, Jean McCreath, Betty Speers, Jean Henderson, Letty Couling, all blue seals, ''Maple Leaf'' M.B., St. Stephen's Ch., Creston; Abbie McLaren (blue seal), Amercy McLaren (blue seal), Janet McKellar (blue seal), Eliza Sutherland (blue seal), James Donald Wilson, Gladys Evans, Christopher Johnstone, Alfred Johnstone, Helen Matheson, ''Goforth'' M.B., Mount Pleasant Ch., Vancouver; Muriel Armstrong, ''Sunshine'' M.B., St. Stephen's Ch., North Vancouver.

Manitoba Provincial.—

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Isabel Roberta Hadden, John Roy Hadden, ''McKay'' M.B., Port Arthur.

Ontario Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBERS

Barrie P.S.—Mrs. C. W. Hounsome, Wyebridge Aux.; Mrs. J. M. Wallace, Midland Aux.; Miss M. E. Lucas, Oro Central Aux.; Miss Reid, Stroud Aux. **Brockville P.S.**—Miss Belle Rae (since deceased), Chesterville Aux.; Mrs. R. Barker, Mrs. D. Scott, Cardinal Aux.; Mrs. J. Rae, Winchester Springs Aux. **Chatham P.S.**—Mrs. J. McLean, Duart Aux.;

Mrs. A. G. Brown, Amherstburg Aux.; Mrs. J. W. Kellum, Bothwell Aux.; Mrs. E. Higgs (Detroit), First Ch. Aux., Chatham. **Glengarry P.S.**—Mrs. J. A. Robertson, Cornwall Centre Aux.; Mrs. W. M. Earle, Avonmore Aux.; Miss M. Chapman, St. Andrew's Aux., Lancaster; Mrs. K. MacCuaig, Cotton Beaver Aux., Kirkhill; Mrs. D. M. Campbell, Miss D. MacIver, ''King's Own Band'', Dunvegan; Mrs. Israel Demoulin, Glen Gordon Aux., Lancaster; Mrs. D. MacNaughton, ''True Blues'', Dalhousie Station. **Lanark and Renfrew P.S.**—Mrs. Mary Wright, Cobden Aux. **Lindsay P.S.**—Mrs. J. Watson, St. Andrew's Aux., Sonya; Mrs. G. Mathie, Mrs. L. M. McGregor, St. Andrew's Aux., Lindsay; Miss B. McFadgen, Knox Aux., Glenarm; Miss J. McPhail, St. John's Aux., Port Perry; Miss I. Birchall, Miss A. McMillan, Y.W. Aux., Beaverton. **Maitland P.S.**—Mrs. R. Mullin, Mrs. T. Reid, Lucknow Aux.; Mrs. D. H. Campbell, Molesworth Aux. **Ottawa P.S.**—Miss S. Armstrong, Mrs. P. Wilkinson, ''Gordon'' Aux., St. Andrew's Ch., Ottawa; Mrs. E. H. Low, Mrs. W. J. Browne, St. Giles Aux., Ottawa; Mrs. E. H. Adams, Y.W. Aux., Erskine Ch., Ottawa; Mrs. J. Gillies, Mrs. M. Cameron, Pakenham Aux. **Paris P.S.**—Mrs. Garner, Central Aux., Brantford; Mrs. W. A. Phillips, Mrs. H. Foster, Mrs. L. M. Terry, Miss Hazel Lethbridge, Victoria Aux., Ingersoll; Mrs. I. McPhail, Alexandra Ch. Aux., Brantford; Mrs. G. Gibbs, Simcoe Aux.; Miss E. Capron, Y.W. Aux., Paris. **Sarnia P.S.**—Mrs. J. McKellar, Mrs. M. B. Proctor, St. Andrew's Aux., Sarnia; Mrs. H. Mihell, St. Andrew's Aux., Strathroy; Miss M. Greenlees, Aberarder Aux.; Mrs. C. Edwards, Mrs. J. McBean, Bear Creek Aux. **Stratford P.S.**—Mrs. S. J. Mallion, St. Andrew's Aux., Stratford; Miss K. Hesson, Evening Aux., Stratford; Mrs. H. Klockman, North Mornington Aux.; Mrs. K. E. Staffen, Monkton Aux. **Toronto P.S.**—Miss Jessie L. Milne, St. Andrew's Aux., Toronto; Mrs. Robertson, Miss Bella Anderson, St. Andrew's Aux., Whitby; Miss Elizabeth Anderson, Burns Ch. Aux., Ashburn; Mrs. Joseph McClure, Alexander Aux., Norval; Miss Ethel Britton, Mrs. John Laurie, St. Andrew's Aux., Scarboro; Mrs. Alex. McDonald, Maclean Aux., Rogers Ch., Toronto; Mrs. J. A. McKinnon, Goforth Aux., Wychwood Ch., Toronto; Miss Kate Elder, Knox Ch. Aux., Vaughan; Mrs. A. W. Talbot, Davenport Rd. Aux., Toronto; Miss Edith Hillary, Miss Margaret Macdonald, Y.W. Aux., Calvin Ch., Toronto; Mrs. Edwin Dickie, Janet Geggie Aux., Parkdale Ch., Toronto; Mrs. J. B. Thomson, Dufferin Ch., Aux., Toronto; Mrs. Sarah MacKenzie, Anne Reid Aux., Royce Ave. Ch., Toronto; Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. James Lillew, Miss Marguerite Jean Wallace, Victoria Ch. Aux., Toronto; Mrs. Margaret Davis, Morningside Ch. Aux., Toronto; Mrs. Edward Clark, Mrs. Margaret Currie, Markham Aux.; Mrs. R. J. Winn, High Park Ch. Aux., Toronto; Miss Mary Gibson, Y.W.S.S. Class, Calvin Ch., Toronto.

HONORARY MEMBERS

Sarnia P.S.—Mrs. (Rev.) David Ritchie by Sarnia Presbyterial. **Toronto P.S.**—Mrs. James Langskill, presented by her husband, through Janet Geggie Aux., Parkdale Ch., Toronto.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Barrie P.S.—Margaret McKendry (5th payment), Beatrice Hornby (gold seal), Patton M.B., Midland; Clara Tennant and Edna McKee (blue seals), Alliston M.B. **Brockville P.S.**—Margaret E. Nimmo, ''Crusaders'' M.B., Morewood. **Bruce and Owen Sound P.S.**—Albert Keiller, ''Maple Leaf Boys' Band'', Owen Sound; John K. Clow, Mary

A. J. Strachan, Owen Sound M.B.; Margaret J. McKay, Walkerton M.B.; Elsie G. Clark, Malcolm J. Campbell, Mary A. Waring, Irene Waring, Port Elgin M.B. **Chatham P.S.**—Christina Rhynd, Fred Maxwell, Ruth Cunningham, Margaret Parsons (blue seal), ''Do What You Can'' M.B., St. Andrew's Ch., Windsor; Winnie Hickling, Wallaceburg M.B.; Donald E. Hubbell, Thamesville M.B.; Hazel O'Neill, Duart M.B.; Margaret J. Williams, Eva I. Fletcher, Valetta M.B.; Grace Fletcher (silver seal), Dorothy Campbell and Jean Cornhill (blue seals), First Ch. M.B., Chatham; Viola Suitor (5th payment) ''Wilkie Girls'', Chatham. **Maitland P.S.**—Harvey M. Speir, Brussels M.B.; Jessie McRae, (gold seal), ''May Hardie'' M.B., Ashfield; Marion I. Scott, Brussels M.B.; Helen Johnstone, Lucknow M.B. **Ottawa P.S.**—Robert Kyle, ''Bright Star'' M.B., Knox Ch., Ottawa. **Paris P.S.**—Mona Shaults, Martha Sage, Jean Lee, St. Paul's M.B., Ingersoll; Jean Martin, Paris M.B. **Saugeen P.S.**—Stewart Oakes, Roy Small, ''Goforth'' M.B., Arthur; Alex. Ledingham, Mabel Ersman, Harriston M.B. **Sarnia P.S.**—Beatrice Park, ''Cuthbertson'' M.B., Wyoming; George H. Anderson, George W. Walker, James P. Paterson, Strathroy M.B. **Stratford P.S.**—Lily M. McMane (silver seal), Edith M. McMane (silver seal), Dorothy J. McMane (gold seal), Eleanor A. Vallance (blue seal), E. Robina Dickson (blue seal), William J. Vallance, ''Calder'' M.B., Atwood; Mary Robinson, Helen Grieve, Mary McDonald, Jack Robinson, Sherwood Dervey, Alex Vessey, Knox Ch. M.B., St. Mary's. **Toronto P.S.**—Catharine Helen Boynton, Kathleen Margaret Heard, Betty Jean Wilder, ''Busy Bees'' M.B., Whitby; Isabel Todd, ''Martin'' M.B., St. Paul's Ch., Toronto; Jennie Logan, Mabel Watson, ''Elizabeth Parker'' M.B., St. Andrew's Ch., Toronto; Kate Donaldson, Mimico M.B.; Doris Bessey (silver seal), Georgetown M.B.; Mildred Courtney, Alice Pernokis, Jean Aden (blue seal), Francis Williamson (blue seal), Isobel Thomson, Kathleen Wenger, Margaret Bullick, Mildred Noble, Frances Wilson (all silver seals), Margaret Wilson, Agnes Thomson, Dolly McKillop (all gold seals), Victoria Ch. M.B., Toronto; Mary Josephine Holmes, ''Happy Helpers'' M.B., Knox Ch., Milton; Marian Keith (gold seal), ''Sunshine'' M.B., High Park Ch., Toronto.

IN MEMORIAM SUBSCRIPTIONS

In Loving Memory of:

Brockville P.S.—To Mrs. Ella Short, by the Ladies' Aid, Chesterville. **Paris P.S.**—Mrs. Shanley, by friends in Evening Aux., Woodstock; Mrs. Thomas McCosh, by Mr. and Mrs. D. Patton and Miss H. McCosh, Paris Aux. **Stratford P.S.**—Isabella, Mary and Elizabeth Armstrong, to their brother John Armstrong, by his parents, John and Eliza Roxborough Armstrong, Avonton Aux. **Sarnia P.S.**—To Miss Barbara MacKenzie, by her neice, Miss E. MacKenzie, St. Andrew's Aux., Sarnia. **Toronto P.S.**—Mrs. J. H. Kernaghan, to her husband, by Dufferin Aux., Toronto.

Note: Owing to lack of space a long list of Ontario names has been held over.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Alberta

Edmonton P.S.—Lougheed Aux.

Treasurer's Statement

December 31st, 1929.

RECEIPTS

Toronto, Knox Ch. House Bible Class, "Support of Child in Prince Albert School Home"	$ 75.00
Toronto, Knox Ch. Bible Class, "Nurses' Training Home, India"	12.50
Quebec, St. Andrew's Sunday School, "South Porcupine Hospital"	6.50
Montreal, The "Wahuahtaysee" Missionary Club	25.00
Paris, Ont., Girls' Guild, "Children's Nursing Home, India"	25.00
Evangel Hall, "Children's Nursing Home"	73.00
Evangel Hall, "Miss Ramsay, Literature, Miss McLean, Literature, Gwalior and Bhil field"	60.00
A Friend, "Nurses' Training Home, India"	3.00
Friend	5.00
Friend	15.00
Legacy from the Estate of Margaret McKellar	500.00
Legacy from the Estate of Annie P. Glennie through St. John's Pres. Ch., Hamilton, Ont.	2,500.00
Refund on Miss Chan's Salary from the Chinese in Victoria	120.00
Refund on fuel from the New Liskeard School Home	75.00
Refund on Student Department	26.20
Refund on Lantern Slide Department	43.50
Government Grant received from the Cecilia Jeffrey Indian School	2,184.35
Paris, Ont., Mission Band, "Children's Nursing Home"	10.00
Interest	700.57

PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:

Alberta	2,200.00
British Columbia	2,482.01
Manitoba	2,589.38
Ontario	58,000.00
Quebec	7,200.00
Saskatchewan	1,699.35
	$80,630.36

DISBURSEMENTS

South Porcupine Hospital	773.20
McMurray Hospital	144.24
Canora Hospital	404.16
Vegreville Hospital	377.50
Chinese in Canada	698.89
Indian School, "Cecilia Jeffrey"	369.62
Government Grant paid "Cecilia Jeffrey"	2,184.35
Indian School, Birtle	433.16
Indian School, Mistawasis	143.67
Huntingdon School Home	75.00
New Liskeard School Home	64.24
Saskatoon School Home	203.00
Prince Albert School Home	257.05
Vegreville School Home	578.30
Social Service	1,148.43
China, South	472.99
China, Manchuria	1,595.00
India, Bhil	3,506.25
India, Gwalior	1,915.25
Japan	2,806.75
Formosa	3,679.46
British Guiana	283.37
Publications	523.59
Organization	450.00
Pensions	41.74
Supplies	979.97
Candidate	5.00
Church Extension	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	710.19
Deputation	8.60
Administration	1,233.33
Education of two Chinese Girls	87.98
	$27,154.28

FINANCIAL SURVEY

Balance on hand November 30th, 1929	$79,157.40	
Receipts	80,630.36	
Disbursements		$27,154.28
Bank Balance		14,669.16
Pension Balance		7,522.71
Legacy Fund		8,855.98
Sustaining Fund		39,476.82
Bonds		10,000.00
Associated Treasurers in China		400.00
Hong Kong Banking Corporation		250.00
Cash on hand		51,458.81
	$159,787.76	$159,787.76

(Mrs. R. C.) S. B. Donald,
Treasurer.

Form of Bequest

I give, devise and bequeath to the Board of Trustees of the WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, W.D., *of the Presbyterian Church in Canada (that is the continuing Presbyterian Church not merged in or associated with the United Church of Canada) in trust for the work of the said* WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, W.D., *the sum of* ....
to be paid out of my estate, without any deduction whatever, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer of the said WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, W.D., *for the said sum shall constitute and be a sufficient discharge thereof.*

Take Time to Pray

THE great people of the earth to-day are the people who pray, people who take time to pray. They have not time. It must be taken from something else. That something else is important, very important and pressing, but still less important and pressing than prayer. There are people who put prayer first and group the other items in life's schedule around and after prayer. These are the people to-day who are doing the most for God in winning souls, in solving problems, in awakening Churches, in supplying both men and money for mission posts, in keeping fresh and strong their lives far off in sacrificial service on the foreign field where thickest fighting is going on, and in keeping the old earth sweet a little while longer.—*S. D. Gordon.*

PRESBYTERIAN W.M.S. PUBLICATIONS

"COURIERS OF THE KING," is out of print. Some copies of Lands of Promise and Love's Candles are still available.

Monthly Envelopes are 2c. per package of 12 for the year.
Blue general contribution are 25c. per hundred.
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Thank Offering Envelopes are 35c. " "
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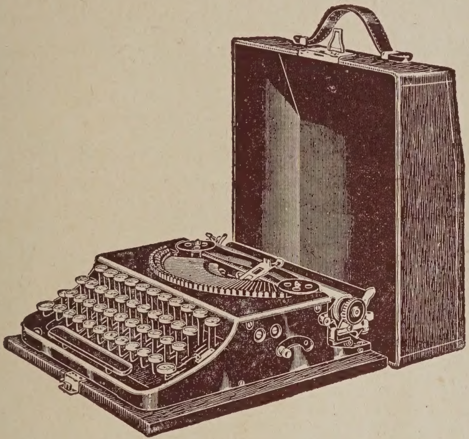

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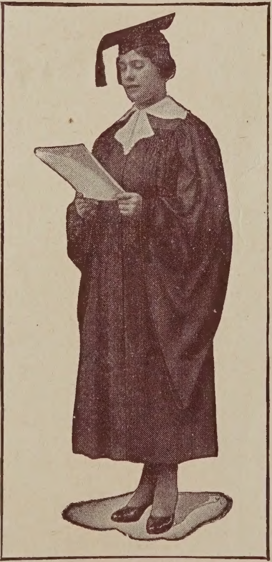

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An Easter Poem

One of the Most Beautiful Expressions of Religious Feeling in English Poetry, Reprinted in Observance of the Season

"THE LOVE OF CHRIST WHICH PASSETH KNOWLEDGE"

I bore with thee long weary days and nights
Through many pangs of heart, through many tears;
I bore with thee, thy hardness, coldness, slights,
For three and thirty years.

Who else had dared for thee what I have dared?
I plunged the depth most deep from bliss above;
I not My flesh, I not My spirit spared:
Give thou Me love for love.

For thee I thirsted in the daily drouth,
For thee I trembled in the nightly frost;
Much sweeter thou than honey to My mouth:
Why wilt thou still be lost?

I bore thee on My shoulders and rejoiced:
Men only marked upon My shoulders borne
The branding cross; and shouted hungry-voiced,
Or wagged their heads in scorn.

Thee did nails grave upon My hands, thy name
Did thorns for frontlets stamp between Mine eyes;
I, Holy One, put on thy guilt and shame:
I, God, Priest, Sacrifice.

A thief upon My right hand and My left;
Six hours alone, athirst, in misery:
At length in death one smote My heart and cleft
A hiding-place for thee.

Nailed to the racking cross, than bed of down
More dear, whereon to stretch Myself and sleep:
So did I win a kingdom—share My crown;
A harvest—come and reap.

—Christina Rossetti.

Editorial

Christ is Risen

WE DESIRE OFFICIALLY to express our deep sorrow at the death of the Moderator of our Church, the Right Reverend David Perrie, D.D., who passed away on February 11th, after a brief illness. Dr. Perrie was equally a scholar, a preacher and for forty-six years a pastor beloved, and the Church of which he was the honored head and all who knew him mourn his passing.

In the death of Mrs. Perrie, which took place a few months previous to that of Dr. Perrie, the W.M.S. loses one of its most earnest and capable members. Mrs. Perrie was present at the Council Meeting in Ottawa, and on the 29th of May the Council honored itself in extending to Dr. and Mrs. Perrie their congratulations on the induction of their son into the congregation at North Battleford, Sask., on the same date that his father was ordained and inducted into the congregation at North Nissouri, Ontario. For those who sorrow over the loss of both father and mother, we entreat God's comfort and consolation.

THE INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENT of the South African Presbyterian Women's Associations has sent us a most interesting report. The information it contains has been drawn largely from magazines which have been sent to them by their comrades in Great Britain, Canada and Australia, who are interested in the work in South Africa. Much space has been devoted to the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Of the reports of our work the Correspondent says: ''The annual reports of the W.M.S. of Canada, both the Eastern section and the Western, are as bracing as their northern snows. How magnificently these Canadian sisters work and how capable and business-like they are!'' The last paragraph, however, is the one we like best because all sister organizations are included in a unique and beautiful setting: ''Our Women's Associations the world over are like a golden chain, studded with gems. There are some like diamonds who have the clear light of knowledge and give light to others. Some are like sapphires, true blue Presbyterians, loyal to their religious heritage. There are pearls, prayerful and full of sympathy. There are some like rubies glowing with the joy of service, and in this land many are amethysts, temperance jewels, seeking with all their might to abolish drunkenness and its evils. Let the sparkle and glow of every gem be for the glory of God and the furtherance of His Kingdom and may we feel that the ends of the chain are in the clasp, firm and sure, of our Heavenly Father.''

DR. GUSHUE-TAYLOR, on his way back to Formosa, visited the leper colonies in India, and while there took the opportunity to go up to our mission field in Amkhut. By a happy coincidence he and Mrs. Taylor arrived at Amkhut in time for the meeting of the Council of the Bhil field. From Amkhut they went on to Jhansi.

Speaking of Dr. Taylor, one naturally thinks of his leper work, and the plans for its extension to which we have already referred in these columns. Our Board had agreed that we should make some contribution to this work and have chosen as the avenue of the gift the building of the chapel, which is to cost about $5,000. This gift is to go forward to Dr. Taylor, $1,000 a year for five years.

MR. BYERS, PRINCIPAL OF THE ''CECILIA JEFFREY'' Indian Residential School, was a welcome visitor to the Council Executive recently. He described the new building as, ''the finest school in Canada,'' and paid warm tribute to the Government which has not refused any request he has made. When the new school was opened there was some difficulty in getting the Indians to come to the new location because of their inherent dislike to change. This feeling, however, is being overcome and Mr. Byers hopes to have a full school—125 pupils. The love, sincerity and interest of the Indian children has won the heart of the Principal. Miss Rose Paton, our W.M.S. worker at ''Scott Institute,'' who spoke the same morning, thinks the Jewish children the most lovable in the world, and is very happy in her work among them. She reviewed a week's activities at Scott Institute, dwelling on the religious services for children and adults, library work, classes for singing, cooking, sewing, teaching English and Girl Guide work. If they are to carry on these activities effectively they should have a new building, new gymnasium and more equipment.

IT WAS AN INSPIRING story that Miss MacMurchy had to tell the Council Executive on her return from the four Western Provincial Annual Meetings. Outstanding in her memory is the devoted spirit of the women in the four provinces, all different yet one unit in their loyalty to our Society, and desirous of finding how the work can be strengthened in their respective provinces. The good representation, the fine contribution made to the programme by our workers prefaced the story of the splendid work being carried on by all departments. From the point of view of the Council Executive, it was a very valuable experience, for in the wealth of detail one got so much information not only for reflection but for guidance in the better planning for the work at large.

A NEW SET OF LANTERN SLIDES ON MANCHURIA has been sent to every Provincial Society. They should be very useful for Easter programmes.

WHAT MIGHT WELL BE TERMED a gesture of appreciation comes from a Ukrainian girl, at one time a pupil of the Vegreville Girls' School Home. She now lives in the Peace River District and has already sent several refunds and intends to pay all her indebtedness to the Home. Encouraging as this act is, the real thrill comes when we read, that she is doing splendid work in her home and Sunday School. This instance goes to prove that the School Home is fulfilling its purpose and training girls for leadership.

DR. CAROLINE MACDONALD SAILED FOR JAPAN on March 8th. Previous to her departure the Council Executive had the opportunity of hearing her tell informally of the classes which she had established in Tokyo among the girls in industry, the wonderful response on the part of the girls, and her hopes and plans for the development of this work.

OUR DEEP SYMPATHY is extended to Mrs. J. B. Cropper and her sister, Miss Elise Barlow, two of our British Guiana missionaries who sorrow over the death of their father.

BEGINNING WITH THE APRIL NUMBER, there appears under ''Auxiliaries'' the first of a series of Suggestions for Bible Readings on the Acts of the Apostles. These have been prepared by Miss P. B. Lamont and are intended not only for the leaders of the devotional period, but for all our members, and every woman is urged to follow the study not only in the meeting, but in her own home as well.

DATE OF ENLARGED COUNCIL EXECUTIVE meeting is changed from May 20th to May 27th.

Brier

Good Friday

Because, dear Christ, your tender, wounded arm,
Bends back the brier that edges life's long way;
That no hurt comes to heart, to soul no harm
I do not feel the thorns so much to-day.

Because I never knew your care to tire,
Your hand to weary, guiding me aright,
Because you walk before and crush the brier,
It does not pierce my feet so much to-night.

Because so often you have hearkened to
My selfish prayers, I ask but one thing now,
That these harsh hands of mine add not unto
The crown of thorns upon your bleeding brow.

—*Pauline Johnson.*

We Can Help Them Find Him

As it began to dawn, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary, saying, Who will roll us away the stone from the door of the tomb? And looking up, they see that the stone is rolled back. . . . . And the angel said unto the women, I know that ye seek Jesus who hath been crucified. He is not here, He is risen! Go quickly, and tell.

AS it began to dawn on that first Easter morning, came the women, sorrowfully, slowly. They had hoped they had seen a vision of light and life to the full, but it had all ended in yonder tomb—sealed with a great stone too heavy for even their love to move. But as they looked up, behold! the stone was gone, and out of the empty tomb came the most wonderful message ever uttered, "Ye seek Jesus which hath been crucified. He is not here, He is risen. Go quickly and tell!"

As it begins to dawn on this Easter morning, other women the world around are coming slowly, sorrowfully, seeking, but finding only a tomb with a great stone sealing their hopes. See them as they come—a multitude of women and young children wending their weary way into the great industrial mills to spend Easter, hopelessly bound to the mighty industrial machine; the throngs of women of darker skin who come, hoping, but finding the great stone of racial prejudice blocking the way to fullness of life in Christ; the millions of women living in fear of the great god of war; mourning groups of women with empty arms, entreating stone images for hope of seeing their dear ones again—and turning sorrowfully away. So they come seeking, questing, but seeing only the tomb with its great stone.

When Mary and the other women heard that life-transforming message, their sorrow, their hopelessness was changed in an instant. They departed from the tomb with great joy and *ran* to bring the word of the risen Saviour. That word has been ringing down through the ages, as each Easter women come to the tomb and depart with joy to tell that Christ is risen, Christ is risen indeed!

Very early this Easter morning let us too come to find the risen Christ, and then *run* with joy to tell the sorrowing, burdened women in our homes, in our country, in every country to look up and see that the stone is rolled away. Christ is risen triumphant over death, over race, over industrial slavery, over war, and He goes before to lead us into life to the full, eternal here and now. "And because He lives, we too shall live."

As those women first at the tomb ran with joy to tell, Jesus met them. As we too run to tell these other women, Christ Himself will meet us and we shall know in a new way at this Eastertime His joy, His resurrection power for our daily lives. We can help them find Him.

CHRIST IS RISEN, CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED.

Gertrude Schultz in Women and Missions.

He Is Risen

"I WAS standing before the window of an art store where a picture of the crucifixion of our Lord was on exhibition; as I gazed I was conscious of the approach of another, and, turning, beheld a little lad gazing intently at the picture also. Noticing that this mite of humanity was a sort of street Arab, I thought I would speak to him; so I asked, pointing to the picture: 'Do you know who it is?' 'Yes,' came the quick response, 'that 's our Saviour,' with a mingled look of pity and surprise that I should not know. With an evident desire to enlighten me further, he continued, after a pause: 'Them's the soldiers, the Roman soldiers,' and, with a long-drawn sigh: 'That woman crying there is His mother.' He waited, apparently for me to question him further, thrust his hands into his pockets, and, with a reverent and subdued voice, added: 'They killed Him, Mister. Yes, sir, they killed Him!' I looked at the little ragged fellow, and asked: 'Where did you learn this?' He replied: 'At the Mission Sunday School.' Full of thought regarding the benefits of Mission Sunday Schools, I turned away and resumed my walk, leaving the little lad looking at the picture. I had not walked a block when I heard his childish treble calling: 'Mister! Say, Mister!' I turned. He was running toward me, but paused; then up went his little hand, and with triumphant sound in voice he said: 'I wanted to tell you He rose again! Yes, Mister, He rose again'."

[We are indebted to "The Homemaker" in the *Toronto Globe* for this very lovely little story, with its glowing Easter message. —EDITOR.]

"The look of sympathy, the gentle word,
Spoken so low that only angels heard.
The secret art of pure self-sacrifice
Unseen by men but marked by angel's eyes.
These are not lost.

The quiet, steadfast love that strove to win
Some weary wanderer from the ways of sin,
Some day things hidden from our gaze below
Thou wilt reveal, and we shall surely know
These are not lost."

What We Have Made With Our Hands

STORIES ABOUT SUPPLIES

Immigration

"I APPRECIATE very much your co-operation along this line, and I trust that, together we may be enabled to bring comfort and cheer to some of the more needy of our fellow men, of whom there are a great many. The women of our Presbyterian Church hold a very high and honored place in my esteem, for they have done nothing short of the miraculous, and are ever on tiptoe ready to serve."

Social Service

"Thank you and all who have had a hand in providing for the Christmas treat for the children. You sent a splendid bale and I am most grateful for the sake of my children and the encouragement I hope it will be to them to be more earnest in their undertakings as a Mission Band. We are struggling with a pageant telling the story of the Day. It does one good to watch the children large and small alike doing their bits. Some of them are remarkably bright and others true peasant type."

"The preserved fruit, quilts and clothes which you sent to us encouraged us greatly because our cupboards were empty. The things you sent mean the same to us as tools to a worker, and you know how hard it is for a workman to do his job without the proper instruments."

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RAISI

A corner in the supply room in Knox Church, Toronto. These quilts have come from various Auxiliaries. The canned fruit (in the foreground) will be very acceptable in the hospitals and school homes.

"Your goodly consignment of clothing and fruit arrived in first class condition, and we were dumb in adoration unexpressed because inexpressible, as we opened the boxes and sorted the contents. Sunday last was our yearly celebration of the Sacraments. Two infant girls were brought to be baptized, daintily clothed in the lovely outfits your box contained. One was of Polish parents, the other was of Canadian descent. They exercised wonderful self-control all through the long service, begotten, I wonder, of a feeling of self-respect because they were for once properly and becomingly robed, or were being assigned a place among the elect of the earth, in the Church of God. The Communion service is always our big day here. Unfortunately the weather was against us this year. A big blizzard on the Thursday left us with eight inches of damp snow, and by the Lord's Day, the roads were in an almost impassable condition and prevented our young communicants getting from the city, as well as keeping back others from the out-stations. Twenty-four sat at the Table of the Lord, the greater number being under eighteen years of age.

We all rejoice that the large foreign settlement in .... is going to have a chance at last. The need is, oh, so great, the opportunity is not greater in any foreign field. Uphold us dear, loyal, self-sacrificing sisters in the arms of prayer, and the showers will fall.

The bulk of the fruit will be in reserve for sick folks, big and small and I assure you many 'much thanks, lady' will be forthcoming. I am happy to be your almoner in all your bounty, and I wish you all, dear fellow workers, continued blessing, *i.e.,* the Master's own 'Well done . . . . .inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least. . . .ye have done it unto me'."

School Homes

"A barrel of fruit and three boxes of apples have just been delivered. The apples are a wonderful treat up here and I am so glad to have them to tell the children of our good friends in Southern Ontario. We have two crab apple trees in the garden from which I make catsup as the fruit is so miserable and small. One of the girls told me she was just longing for spring to come so she could see the tree in bloom, as she could not imagine what it would look like. The majority of the pupils have never seen an apple orchard."

"Your bale of supplies is certainly wonderful. The boys opened the bale and there were loud shouts of, oh! see this! The mat made by the little boys commands great praise. Please let them know that it is keeping the feet of two little boys in the home warm. Thank all the kind ladies for the bale, and tell them how the children appreciate the warm comfy things sent."

"The bale and barrel of fruit came this afternoon. The bale will contain most useful articles and the fruit, well! we just have not words to tell you all how much we appreciate the fruit. To you easterners, it may not mean much to give a jar of fruit, but to us prairie folk, it is like getting a fortune left us."

Hospitals

''My last visitor was a woman with a poor little emaciated baby supposed to be five months old, but did not look more than five weeks, wrapped in a well-worn piece of flannelette sheet, an excuse for a shirt with no sleeves, and such a cold bleak day, and she wondered why the baby should be so sick. I rubbed the little thing with camphorated oil and dressed it up and gave her some cod liver oil to add to its diet and in one week's time she returned, all smiles, so happy because baby felt so much better, and I was able then to add to the wearing apparel by the contents of the lovely box you sent. Rather a strange coincidence that she should have looked longingly at the box the first day she arrived, and I was so sorry I had not opened it sooner. However, I sent her away happy again, and she is overjoyed with the result.''

''The bale was greatly appreciated and will be such a help in our work, but Bessie's things capped everything. I myself got much pleasure in receiving them for her, for everything was so lovely, and I know how delighted she will be when I take them out to her. Bessie will enjoy many an hour with her doll. She had several small ones while here and was very fond of them.''

''I wish you could see all my nurses and maids watch with delight the opening of the bales. It is quite an event with us. We were so delighted with the lovely Christmas gifts. One of our little patients was overjoyed when we gave her a doll. She had never had one, she told me, and could not believe it was to be her very own. I sent Christmas gifts to a number of our little ex-patients. In the homes of some of our little ones there is very little money for toys, so your lovely Christmas gifts will help us to bring cheer to many a little one. The hospital supplies were all so useful. We were indeed pleased with the barrel of fruit. Fruit was very high this year. We use such a lot in the hospital, so your donation was doubly welcome.''

Indian Schools and Reserves

''I know just how much time, money, and, in many cases, sacrifice these bales have meant to our wonderful W.M.S. women. If they could only see the noble work they are doing and to what good use their donations are put, they would feel amply repaid for all the sacrifice they have made. We do try to take the best care of everything, and patch and darn until there is sometimes little of the original garment to be seen.''

''I wish you could have seen how pleased the children were when being fitted out in their new clothes. Our aim in dealing with the Indians is to try to get them to supply their own needs. With the exception of a few cases most of them are able to supply the necessary things. Our Chief is quite an old man with a small family. I was able to clothe his three little girls and give his wife some things from the bale, which they needed for their comfort. I was able to make use of every article you sent and I wish to thank you all for the generous and useful supply of clothing you sent.''

''We have a very large family and our needs are great, but I often think if our wonderful W.M.S. women could just see to what good use their clothing is put, they would feel amply repaid for all their work and sacrifice. We simply could not carry on without the bales of clothing. We are also very grateful for the Christmas gifts. Our boys and girls do look forward to the Christmas tree, in fact the Indians drive for miles and bring their families in order to spend Christmas with their children and share in their joy. We will have from 50 to 75 Indian parents and babies here, some of them for days, at Christmas time, which means a very strenuous time.''

''Everything in the bales will serve a very useful purpose and will supply many a pressing need. I feel that if the women who prepare these bales were here to see these little faces brighten up with that smile which only an Indian child can express, they would feel amply repaid for their time and sacrifice.''

''The delight of the Indians on receiving a quilt is good to see, and to hear them express their thanks is very pleasant. The Indians here will have a hard time this winter, such poor crops, and no work, so your gifts will be doubly welcome. We appreciate, especially, the large supply of mitts and hats. This year the little ones will have warm hands.''

Mission Fields

''Everything was lovely, especially the quilts, which we needed badly.''

''It has been a hard winter, owing to the failure of the potato crop, the burning of the hay by bush fires and a poor fishing season. Those two bales have done wonders. One woman showed me her coat and warmly clad feet, and hardly found words to express her thanks. Another sent word that she was proud of her quilt. An Indian woman wrote a very hearty letter of thanks and little boys hold up their hands for me to see their warm mittens. I cannot begin to tell you about them all, there are so many.''

''These gifts from the Supply Department, besides making it possible to give practical help in the unorganized districts, form a link between us and our fellow Presbyterians in Southern Ontario.''

''We wish you might all have been with us as we delivered the parcels to the different homes. Children clapped their hands for joy and parents' faces beamed as they repeated their thanks again and again. Could you have seen the happiness of one woman, who got a layette for her little baby before Christmas you would have felt repaid for your labour.''

''The bales will be a boon to many poor people, young and old. Long live the ladies of the Presbyterian Church! Their good work counts for a great deal to people who are in need. We had a meeting of the Ministerial Association last week to talk over the question of city relief. I was glad to be able to say that I was in a position to care for all the families who belong to the Presbyterian Church, as well as the Indians of the nearby reserve. Had it not been for the good ladies of the east, I could not have said this.''

''These gifts have brought us into greater favor with the people and both our Church and Sunday School are growing in numbers.''

[Last month you heard how pleased the Chinese were with their gifts.—ED.]

In Answer to Prayer

MISS JEAN C. GRAHAM

Entertaining Under Difficulties

LAST week I had the first foreign visitors I have had since I came here. It was a real pleasure to see Dr. Goforth, Mr. Fred Goforth, his youngest son (who came to China to visit his parents), and Mr. Kinsler, a young missionary who works in Korea but is up here on a visit. I did what I could to make them at home away from home. But you should see the ''implements'' I had to work with. As you know, soon after I came here I had everything of value that I brought with me stolen, and not one of the things have been returned. So I decided that I would do with as little as possible to save time for myself in keeping things in

Dr. Goforth, Miss Graham and local workers at Tungliao order and save worry in case of a return visit of the thieves. The ladies of the Council Executive have provided me generously with cutlery, table linen, dishes, etc., but they are safely at Szepingkai, and I have no intention of bringing them to this dangerous place. I tried to get a temporary assortment of ''implements'' so that my visitors would not think they had arrived at a Maori wharê and had to use their fingers for forks, etc. But you should have seen my cutlery! Some of the forks were nice pliable lead that bent gracefully when they met anything solid, and the knives! Doctor declared he had met sharper ones. I had a curious collection of dishes. The dining table was not much bigger than a tea table. And the cooking! Well! I tried to do my best but I am afraid I was not very proud of it.

Five boys who attend regularly the children's meetings in Tungliao

I often think of our old home table, how generously it was loaded and when I have visitors I feel I want to put on the same kind of a ''spread''. But I never do. It is not easy to disengage one's thoughts and ''heart'' as the Chinese say, from the chapel full of people that look to you for help all day from ten in the morning till about eight at night, and put one's thoughts altogether into the kitchen.

The Appeal of the Children

After all, the most important thing was the people. It rained heavily in the morning. The roads, we have no streets in Tungliao, are just mud affairs all hills and hollows with deep drains in some places about six feet on each side with a ''bridge'' to span said drains at nearly every shop. When it rains these roads turn into quagmires and the Chinese with their cloth shoes stay away from these sticky thoroughfares as much as possible.

In spite of this we had our chapel well filled and often over filled all day. Doctor said that although he had seen crowds elsewhere he had rarely seen the quiet attention that prevailed here. It is really inspiring. Every day it is so. We open at ten in the morning and keep on without a break for at least nine hours. My helper and I preach in turn. This includes our children's meeting every day at five. Except for a break when we were moving we have held a daily children's meeting for about five months now. Our average attendance these last weeks has been about sixty, and the majority can read. It sometimes seems too much of a task to keep on and then it seems as if we cannot stop this work for the children continue to come and many of them have been coming from the first. For this reason we have to prepare a new Bible lesson every day, eight a week, for we have two meetings on Sunday for them. I have to keep a record of the lessons so that we do not duplicate. When the children come we just have to ask the adults to vacate the front seats and then they stand in crowds at the back, following with interest all that is done in the children's meeting. When we dismiss the children we have to let them out of a side door as there is such a crowd filling the main entrance, then we invite the adults to come again to the front and there we have our adult crowd all ready for the preaching. Doctor held a well-attended meeting for Christians in the afternoon and then at our request he spoke to the children of his Boxer experiences. They were touched and I hope and pray strongly influenced for the future. The crowd was just wonderful. I know it is mainly in answer to prayer. We pray earnestly here, we have a prayer meeting in the chapel every morning at seven o'clock, and then I have prayer with the women every night. And then there are so many in different places praying daily for the work here. I know God is answering and doing an eternal work in the hearts of the people.

Power of the Printed Word

There is also the tract distribution. We distribute at the door of the chapel daily and I do not think there is a shop that has not been visited at least once and some a number of times with tracts. And they welcome us and accept courteously. I believe in propaganda for educating the people. One only needs to look out on the world of business, politics, pleasure, education, etc., to realize the tremendous force that lies in propaganda, so I say, ''Lord, let us propagate Thy cause in this way to the best of our ability!'' So when the people attend our chapel they have to some extent been prepared for the message.

The weather is becoming hot. The land-laden winds come along and it is a problem in our chapel whether to open the doors to the earth-laden hurricanes or to suffocate almost. But I know it is much hotter to the south, so why complain? I am praying about my summer holiday and wondering where the Lord wants me to have it. Sometimes when I am

at the end of strength I wish I could go off now. At other times I wonder how I can leave the precious work and then I am reproved for after all it is the Lord's work, not mine.

Tungliao, Manchuria.

The Mystery of Folded Wings

MISS A. CAMPBELL, CALGARY

''When they stood, they let down their wings.''—Ezek. 1-14.

EZEKIEL'S vision caught sight of ''the land of far distances'' and it is small wonder that we so often trip and stumble in our effort to follow him. In few parts of his prophecy do we seem more sightless than in this first chapter, which treats of beings concerning whose nature and mode of existence we know so very little. They are heavenly couriers of the King of Glory that flit across this page of the Sacred Word, and though their mission is so much hid from us, and their activities often beyond our understanding, there is, one ventures to think, one point at least where they touch our human experience, one attitude in which they seem to resemble God's servants here below—it is when they are asked to stand still and let down their wings. The words introduce to us the mystery of folded wings—a mystery whose inner secret is yielded up to God's people only in the purifying furnace of sorrow and suffering.

Let us observe first of all what wings are these that must be folded.

A reading of the chapter will show that the *most active* of wings must be folded. These are messengers whose activity appears boundless and ceaseless. The chapter vibrates with the rustle of their wings as they haste to do their Lord's bidding. They ''ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning''; ''they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward''—all which tells us theirs is ready, swift undeviating service. Yet there comes a time when these active workers are allowed to stand still and let down their wings. Need we be surprised, then, that we meet with these perplexing providences in the lives of God's most diligent earthly servants, when God seems to show that He can do without the most active of His workers, when the toiler is laid low, and when, in the midst of his labors the useful servant is asked to stand still and fold his wings? This seemingly is but God's way with all His workers.

But we note also that the *most graceful* of wings must be folded. Even a cursory reading of the chapter impresses us with the beauty and grace of the service given by these heavenly workers. There is such unity, alacrity, and devotion, each rivalling the other in perfecting obedience to the will of the Lord. The figures employed to describe their appearance would seem to suggest the many-sidedness of their qualifications, everyone had four faces—the face of an ox, denoting patience and endurance; the face of a lion, denoting courage and strength; the face of an eagle denoting vision and keenness; the face of a man denoting wisdom and intelligence—a combination of all the graces surely! Yet such shining service as that had to cease, for there came a time when they were asked to stand still and let down their wings. Little wonder then that the best-equipped of God's earthly servants should have a somewhat similar experience. God's providence seems mysterious when it takes toll of the best of workers and places them in situations in which their particular gifts and graces do not seem to find active employment, but it is God's way with all his workers!

We observe also that the *most successful* of wings must be folded. These workers had all the elements of true success. Theirs was expressive service, a service that could be heard and felt, for "the noise of their wings was like the noise of great waters." Theirs was articulate and intelligible service, a service that could be read and understood, for it was as "the voice of speech." And best of all, theirs was truly divine service for it was as "the voice of the Almighty," and when men heard the rustle of their wings they recognized in it the voice of God, which is the perfect ideal of service. And yet they, whose labor is so God-honoring and truly divine, are asked to stand still and let down their wings. And we have to learn that true success in the service of God does not exempt the earthly worker from visitations by which his work and usefulness seem suddenly to be cut short. In whatever way the willing servant may read the dark providences of God, he is not entitled to see in them the frown of the Master upon his services, for success is often met with the command to stand still and let down the wings of our effort.

All this will inevitably raise the question, why should the wings of the busy worker have to be folded? What is God's wise purpose in it all? May it not be *that we may rest?* It may well be that heavenly beings do not need rest in our conception of it, but the Bible makes it abundantly clear that it is a principle with God that none of His servants should be overdriven. How forcibly God taught this to His ancient people when they came into the new territory of Caanan, where they were to have rest, not only one day in seven, but one year in seven, a year in which the very soil should rest that it might yield of its best. So with God's toiling servants: Elijah, fretted and disappointed on Mount Horeb, is cast into a deep sleep; our Lord's disciples are often taken aside into a desert-place that they may rest awhile; and by many strange experiences God's weary people are given an opportunity to rest and be refreshed. Let us therefore not rebel against the providence of folded wings, since it is the voice of Him "who knows our frame and remembers we are dust." But there may be another reason for folded wings—it is *that we may learn.* It is significant concerning the Heavenly workers that "there was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads when they stood and had let down their wings." In the stillness of interrupted labor they could hear God's voice and receive His commands. How much more do we, stumbling, erring mortals, need to learn and if we are His, God gives us the opportunity in ways that may seem to us strange and hard. Wireless operators at sea speak of drawing "a curtain of silence"—a device by which they can keep in unbroken communication with an endangered vessel. God establishes often a "curtain of silence" between Himself and His people by which He communicates to them messages of truth and comfort that shall be of use to them in after days. The Lord Jesus Christ would seem to have had thirty years of folded wings, years of training and learning and fellowship. When, therefore, the call comes to us to stand still and let down our wings, let us listen for the Voice that speaks; there is something that God means us to learn.

And may there not be yet another explanation of folded wings—*that we may obey!* To these well-equipped messengers of God service seemed easy and pleasant; the difficult task, would be "to stand still and let down their wings." Yet if they are to be perfected in obedience they must experience this. And the earthly worker is trained to obedience often in the same way, when in the midst of his labors, strenuous, happy, successful labors—God comes with the stern command to stand still and let down his wings. It is then one's obedience is really tested and it may take a long sharp discipline to teach the foolish servant that obedience is the heavenliest service and that "they also serve who only stand and wait."

Youth and age, disappointment and failure, affliction and sorrow may be times of folded wings and may alike bring to us a great divine message. Blessed are they who shall respond. "I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for He will speak peace unto His people."

Shadows

Mary, as upon your breast
Lay our Little Lord at rest,
Did you see, in terror dread,
Shades of thorn about His head?

Mary, as you sang your psalms,
As you kissed His rosy palms,
Did the shadow of a scar
Sometimes their perfection mar?

Mary, as He gravely played
Underneath the olive shade,
Did your eyes, tear misted, see
The shadow of another tree?

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God is good, and God is kind,
That He makes all mothers blind.

—*Goldie C. Smith.*

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By Lereine Ballantyne

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OUR LETTER BOX

Letter Notes on India

Jhansi, India.

"THE Women's Union Missionary Hospital wanted to keep me for a year but our Council felt that they could not spare me that length of time for there is great need in our mission, and now that I have the language a little, it is only fair that I should start the work I came out here to do. I have enjoyed the work here and it has been a good experience in many ways. It is a fifty bed hospital with twenty-four nurses, six of whom are graduates, the rest are in training. The American Presbyterian School boys and our nurses had a 'white Christmas' celebration when gifts were collected for the poor. It was the first time anything like that had been held in Jhansi, and I hope it will teach the Indian Christians that it is more blessed to give than to receive. The nurses also put on a little play with service and giving as the theme. It was lovely to see them giving so much of their small stock, and just as happy about it as though they were receiving gifts themselves."

—Lily Simpson.

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"There is great excitement in the "Helen Macdonald" Girls' School as the Inspector is to pay a visit this week. One of the advantages of being Government Recognized is that the Inspector has to come at least once a year. That very fact keeps the teachers up to standard, and makes them work hard to keep their certificates. It also means that I have been able to get better qualified teachers this year.

We had two weddings in December. Tina and Sukiya were married, Tina, to a preacher of the Methodist Mission, Sukiya to the carpenter in the boy's school. Both are very happy." *—F. Irene Stringer.*

Amkhut, India.

"We had a children's service yesterday. It was arranged by two of the teachers and was something different. The children all did well. The younger ones recited the golden texts. One of the sixth class boys told the story of Daniel in the lion's den, and one of the fifth class girls told about the Hebrews being cast into the fiery furnace. Some of the boys and girls led in prayer. The whole service was a credit to the teachers. Our three girls who are in training at the hospital in Jhansi have put in their probation period and it is expected that they will all do well in their examinations." —*M. H. Williamson.*

Quack Doctors

Sardi, India.

"I WISH you could go with us into home after home and see how interesting, how friendly and at the same time, how needy the Bhils really are. We have been out in the district on an evangelistic tour since November 12th, only coming in for Christmas, camp meetings and Council.

The rainfall was short this year and as a result there has been more sickness among the Bhils and a harvest for the quack Bhil doctors; and corresponding poverty for the Bhils. The quack doctors demand for their fees, chickens, goats and sometimes even male Buffalo calves. It seems too bad to have them cheated at every turn. The very year they need everything they have for food, or to sell their chickens and goats to get money to buy more grain because of the shortage from their fields, they are compelled to give away their produce to doctors, so called. It is seldom that a quack doctor can suggest any beneficial remedy which the Bhils themselves do not already use, for they know of many trees in the jungle that yield a remedy for this or that ailment. The quack doctors, in some cases, do great injury by cutting or burning the flesh and adding to their suffering.

I think the Bhils are the most open to the gospel of all the peoples of India. There are four families in the Sardi district who are asking for baptism. We do covet your prayers for our work, and we missionaries need to be a praying band." —*Christina Maxwell.*

A Great Gathering

Gwalior Mission, India.

"IN spite of the rain and the cold we had a large crowd at our Christmas gathering. They used the Boys' School as it was too wet to stay outside. The long verandah came in handy and many of the rooms were filled. About 400 people were present and they had splendid appetites. They ate up seven goats and a world of rice and vegetables in short order, and went away happy and contented.

There were quite a few to buy presents for this year, and we were not able to give very valuable ones. The women and girls received cloth or clothing of some kind, and the little girls dolls that were sent to Miss Simpson for that purpose. There was not enough money to give blankets to the men, so Mr. Cheshire gave them money instead, about four roupees each. The boys received handkerchiefs, combs, soap, pencils, water colors, woollen caps and the men teachers got cheap sweater coats.

Mr. Lowther has baptized about twenty children and one new convert. We missionaries have started weekly prayer meetings among ourselves and find them very helpful. Mr. Spencer and the teachers and those who speak and understand English are also invited and a few of them come each night.'' —*Angus McKay.*

We are indebted to Mrs. John Wilkie for the above interesting extract. —EDITOR.

How the Huron Presbyterial Gold Piece Was Spent

Formosa.

"I PROMISED to write and let you know how we ''invested'' the gold piece so kindly sent to me by your Presbyterial. I did want it to be something that your members could take a real interest in. In the midst of my perplexity, I met Mrs. Mackay and Mrs. Dickson. Mrs. Mackay is in charge of the work of the Bible women and Mrs. Dickson has been much interested in it. Mrs. Mackay has also begun the work of memorizing passages of scripture by the young girls of the different congregations. For some time they had felt they would like to have these Bible women gather together for a few days of Bible study and prayer. But they lacked the necessary funds. These women receive such a meagre salary, 15 yen ($7.50) a month, I think, that they could not be expected to pay for it, and Mrs. Mackay had no authority to use mission funds. Like a flash came my inspiration—what better way could there be of using the Huron Presbyterial gold piece? So I explained the situation. Immediately the difficulties were solved. Mrs. Dickson donated the use of her house, mi-phes (their form of comforter under which they sleep) were secured from one of the schools. Mrs. Dickson fitted up a room as a dining-room. A woman was secured for 50 sen (25 cents) a day to cook their meals. Early morning worship was held in Mrs. Dickson's living-room, after which they adjourned to Mrs. Mackay's school-room for their sessions. There, talks were given by Mrs. Mackay, Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Koa, etc., on different portions of scripture and all met for prayer.

I went up to one morning session and met seven of these Bible women, all were over fifty. The Chinese respect old age and they can gain entrance to homes closed to young women. They could not speak English and my few words of Chinese were soon used up, but we could at least smile at one another. That afternoon they divided into parties and went to the neighboring villages to give out tracts at the various houses.

Mrs. Koa is a wonderful worker. I had so often read of her in our *Glad Tidings,* but she is not at all as I expected. She is small and dark, and has such a gentle manner and sweet face.

One most interesting woman bore on her face the tribal markings of the fiercest of the savage tribes still in the island. A broad blue band is tattooed right across each cheek and a band down the forehead. For years the mission people have been praying for some means of contact with this tribe on the east coast. Each of the savage tribes speaks a different dialect and none of them understand Formosan.

This woman had married out of her own tribe and knew the Formosan language. A few years ago the Japanese were attempting to subdue her original tribe and had them hemmed in from all sides. The tribe had collected in some manner thousands of gallons of kerosene and threatened to set fire to it and destroy everything. This woman persuaded the Japanese to allow her to go in and plead with her people. At great risk to her own life she went and the tribe acceded to Japanese requests, thus averting a great catastrophe. Last spring this woman was baptized into the Christian faith and has been since in our Bible Women's School at Tamsui. She, and another Bible woman, a great friend of hers, who knows still another tribal dialect, are now on their way to the east coast to tell the story of salvation. I wish you could have met them as I did—two frail old ladies, full of indomitable courage and the love of Jesus.

Dr. M. G. Graham of the "Mackay Memorial" Hospital, Taihoku, Formosa, Mrs. Graham and their two boys, Donald and Grant.

In addition to the Bible women, the six or more girls who had memorized the scripture requirements were also at the conference as their reward. They were bright, intelligent looking girls. And how they did enjoy it! None of them had even travelled on the train before—never seen beautiful Tamsui. And Tamsui at sunset is marvellous, with the sun like a ball of fire setting over the ocean. It is the wonder spot of the Orient.

Mrs. Mackay showed them in conference your identical gold piece and explained that it was a gift from my home Presbyterial and her own early home Presbyterial, brought all the way from Canada for them. They love the word Canada—Kan-a-tai—as they call it. So you may tell the Presbyterial at home that their name is being remembered in prayer by the Bible women of Formosa—a gallant band of older women who are endeavoring to break down heathen superstitions.

—*(Mrs. M. G.) Jean Graham.*

A Christian Chinese Gentleman in Business

Peiping, China.

"WE have been surprised that there has not been colder weather thus far. But what we have missed of cold has been made up in dust. When you go out, you need to wrap a scarf around your head and face, or do as many of the men—tie a handkerchief over the face so that only the eyes show above it.

In the midst of wars and rumors of war, it is good to know of men who are quietly going about the Master's work, and I want to tell you of one of these. Recently, Mr. Johnson took us with him to a rug factory where he was to hold a service that Sunday morning. We went into the factory but there was no sound of looms in operation and going into a hall we saw it crowded with clean, neat, bright-faced bays and young men. How was this? What was wrong, that a Chinese factory was closed down on a Sunday? Here is the story: Several years ago through Miss Gowans, whom many of you know, a Mr. S'un was led to Christ. He took Him into his everyday work and said that on His day all work should cease in his factory and that he would strive to serve his Saviour in every way possible. His business has been blessed and he was offered a large sum to sell out to, or combine with another firm. This he refused to do as his boys would then have to work on Sundays. These are country boys carefully chosen, and they are under medical supervision in the factory. Mr. S'un also sets aside a certain period each day when these boys go to their class room and are taught regular school lessons. They are also taught of Christ, and each Sabbath a service is held there for them by some minister. This day, Mr. Koffend sang for them, "I Saw One Climb Up Calvary Hill," after it had been interpreted, and it was great to watch their faces. Mr. S'un also has a small place in the Western Hills where he has the boys who are unable to do heavy or regular work; there they work as they can, are taught and well cared for, physically, mentally, and spiritually. This is just some of the work this Christian gentleman is trying to do. As you enter the gate into his compound you see some writings and paintings on the walls on either side. One picture was a well-fruited grape vine, with Christ's words taken from John 15:1, with an explanation of same. Then there was another panel bearing the picture and story of the Prodigal Son, while on an opposite wall in large neat characters was something like this: 'Christ is coming again to judge all men—prepare to meet Him! Your balance will not be for you to decide then—it will be already settled. Prepare!''

One wonders how many business men at home would put such warnings at the entrance to their places of business; and how many of us bear such faithful witness?'' —*Joseph and Mabel Koffend.*

Preaching, Teaching, Visiting

Taihoku, Formosa.

"YES, Ûn-á and Tân Ûn are the same person. Tân is her surname, and Ûn, the yiven name. 'á' is often added to a name of one syllable just to finish it off. The Chinese language has no exact counterpart for the English Mr., Mrs. and Miss. A woman may be called by her own or her husband's given name, with a suitable 'handle' attached at the end, or by her husband's surname. Take for example, Péng-á- chim. She signs her letters, To si Chit, which is her own maiden name. Her surname was To. Her husband's surname is Tân. Did she use his name in signing her letters it would be Tân To si Chit. Péng is her husband's given name. Among her neighbors she is probably called Péng So, So being the common equivalent for Mrs. As a woman grows older the 'So' is often replaced by 'Chim' or 'M', as a mark of respect for advancing years. So we commonly call her Péng-á-chim.

Every Wednesday afternoon we have a women's prayer meeeting in Daitotei Church. Several take turns in leading the meeting. I was at the W.M.S. quarterly meeting some time ago. The members were taking up 'Heroines of Healing, Lady Missionaries in Foreign Lands.' Several women took part in giving the story for the day, some reading, and others telling, their portion. All seemed much interested. They have had very few books about work in foreign fields, so since we organized the Formosan W.M.S. one missionary study book has already been prepared by the lady missionaries of North Formosa, and we hope that others will follow. The one we used last year was translated by Miss Butler, of the English Presbyterian Mission, who gave forty or more years service in Shoka, a station of the South Formosa Mission.

Our Bible woman, Lô Sian Si Niû, went to Lo-mûi, last year. This village of about 700 inhabitants, is at the most northerly part of the island. She rented a room and, in the evenings, the people come there to study and Lô Sian Si Niû has prayers with them. In the daytime, she goes out to the homes and gives the Word of Life, telling the story of salvation to those who will listen. One young woman whom Lô Sian Si Niû taught to read has now entered the Women's School for further study.''

—Bella C. M. Koa.

A Prayer of Preparation for the Easter Message

''When the Easter Message touches the hearts of men, the Missionary activities of the Christian Church will cease to suffer from starvation.''

ALMIGHTY God, Who hast promised to draw nigh unto them who call upon Thee, we come to Thee, who art the Hearer and Answerer of prayer, knowing that Thou listeneth more to our hearts than to our words. We beseech Thee to help us by Thy Holy Spirit so that the praise and supplications which we offer may be wholly acceptable unto Thee. In the joy and gladness of another Eastertide, we thank Thee for the earth's awakening from her winter's sleep; for the budding trees; for the early spring flowers, reminding us as they do of the glorious hope that is ours. We thank Thee for the Glad Hosannas and songs of adoration for a Risen Lord, with which the Christian Church commemorates the Resurrection, sung through untold ages but new each recurring Eastertide. Above all, we thank and praise Thee for that greatest of all gifts, a Risen Lord, for His victory over death and the grave, and for the promise, through Him, of everlasting life. Give to each one of us the secret knowledge of that Risen Lord, revealed only to them, who, with prepared hearts, eagerly seek Him. Pour out Thy Holy Spirit upon Thy Church, that she may be diligent in sharing the knowledge of the Risen Lord with all the peoples of the world, that they may feel after Thee and find Thee, and that Christ, our Lord, may be exalted among the nations. We humbly pray Thee to accept of the gifts we bring at this time. We cannot bring purity, but we bring penitence; nor can we bring wisdom but may we bring teachableness that we may learn of Thee and Jesus Christ, Who liveth and reigneth for evermore. Amen.

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

SUGGESTIONS FOR BIBLE READINGS ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Introduction.—In taking up the study of any book certain questions present themselves: Who wrote it? What period in history does it cover? What is its message? What relation does it bear to the other books of the Bible? Comparing Acts 1:1, 2 with Luke 1: 1-4, we are led to believe that Luke is the author of this book. His relationship to Paul is shown in Col. 4:14; Philemon 24; 2 Tim. 4:11. The period covered is from the death of Christ to Paul's imprisonment in Rome, A.D. 30 to about A.D. 65—from the reign of Tiberius Caesar to Nero. In his "former treatise" (his Gospel) Luke tells what Jesus *began* to do and teach while on earth, in the Acts he tells what the Risen Christ *continued* to do and teach, by the power of His Holy Spirit, whom He sent, working through the apostles—and resulting in the establishing of the Christian Church.

The theme of the book is found in chapter 1, verse 8.

Ye shall receive power.
Ye shall be witnesses. (this verse should be memorized).

Studies will be taken up under the following headings:

1. Power promised. Chapter 1.
2. Power given. Chapter 2.
3. Power operating through witnesses:
   (a) In Jerusalem. Chapters 3-7.
   (b) In Judea and Samaria. Chapters 8-12.
   (c) Unto the uttermost part of the earth. Chapters 13-28.

In every study let us make a practical application and seek for help in solving our present-day problems. Note the service of women in the spread of the gospel.

In preparation for Study 1—Chapter 1. Power Promised, read John, chapters 14-16 and make a list of the different names applied to the Promised One and tell what He is to do.

Rise, happy morn; rise, holy morn;
Draw forth the cheerful day from night:
O Father, touch the east, and light
The light that shone when hope was born.

—*Alfred Tennyson, "In Memoriam."*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Congratulations Leaders and Girls!

ALTHOUGH the reports are not in from all the Provinces, at the time of writing, you have more than subscribed the sum set before you by the W.M.S. One thousand dollars was asked towards the Training School for Nurses in the Bhil field, out of the total sum for erection, seventeen hundred. Your givings will number well in the 'teens. Is it not a happy feeling this Eastertide to know that by some individual sacrifice on the part of each one of you, this great work has been accomplished? Like Mary and the precious contents of the alabaster box, the Master may again whisper, ''She hath done what she could.''

And now many are asking, what next? To which Land of Promise do our offerings for 1930 go?

On March 8th, Miss Caroline Macdonald, LL.D., set sail again for her beautiful Japan, and gladly she carried back this message to her Japanese girls in industry—This year the girls of the Presbyterian Church in Canada are making it possible for her girls to attend the night school classes. They are going to give as much as they can towards the two thousand dollars which supports this work.

Upon hearing the news, these little Japanese factory girls will set to with greater eagerness to learn; and between their lessons or their knit two, pearl, etc., they will think grateful thoughts of those other girls beyond the shining seas, in Miss Macdonald's home country, who are helping to relieve the dull monotony of lives spent in ceaseless toil.

You will remember how these girls come to the cities from the country, seeking employment in the great textile factories, where 65 per cent. of the workers are girls. The tobacco industries also employ many women and girls. You have read in your study book how these employees are housed in great dormitories, little better than barracks, to which they return from either day or night shifts. Thanks to the efforts of interested people, like Miss Macdonald, the night work has been abolished. The next move in advance will be for free Sundays.

These benefits the Japanese girls realize come from Christ in the lives of certain men and women. They, too, are coming to know and love Him.

Think of it! Perhaps this girl only heard about Easter last year; or that one, the year before! What a wonderful dazzling story!

Won't every one of you, Canadian girls, in your celebration of this sacred season, endeavor to see with new vision, as through the eyes of your Japanese sister, Christ's supreme sacrifice and triumph.

Treasure Books 1930

Last date for receiving Treasure Books is May 10th. These will be judged at the enlarged Council Executive meeting, the week of May 20th. Address them to— Miss Muriel Gray, Room 700, 372 Bay St., Toronto 2, Ontario.

What are you doing about programme suggestion contest, mentioned in Miss Yuill's letter?

Same regulations apply to this contest —*M. J. Gray.*

MISSION BANDS

Easter Programme

Hymn.—"Jesus Christ is Risen To-day" (215).
Scripture Lesson.—John 20:1-18.
Hymn.—"I Love to Hear the Story" (739, tune 592).
Offering and Prayer of Thanksgiving.
An Easter Message from a little girl:

"I've said it over many times,
Just as I do my nursery rhymes,
'Christ rose from the dead on Easter morn
Christ rose from the dead on Easter morn!'
When I know it every word,
Then I shall tell a little bird
So that on happy Easter day
The birds will sing it, bright and gay,
And as their wings they all unfurl,
Then every little boy and girl
Will spread the message far and wide
Till people hear on every side
And worship Christ the greatest King,
While Easter bells more gladly ring."

Another message comes from a little girl in a far-away mission. Her name is "Jewel" and this is what she writes in a letter to one of our Bands:

"We have forty boys and girls in our primary class. We love our Sunday School and our teacher. He says that his greatest trouble is to get picture post cards. We like the cards to paste on our clothes boxes which are made out of kerosene boxes. We cover them with paper and when we paste cards on them they are so much prettier. We forget that our benches are hard when we look at the bright pictures, but it is not easy to keep little brother quiet so long, he wants to be out on the hills in the sunshine while we chase grasshoppers. What for do we chase them? Why! we roast them over the charcoal fire and eat them, they taste so good. We know all about John the Baptist and the locusts, but we have no honey like he had. We love the Christmas and Easter cards. We have such a pretty one this Easter. The words on it are—Jesus Christ is risen to-day, Hallelujah! We learn lots of Bible verses from our cards. By and by I hope to go to the Bible School to learn to be a Bible woman and little brother, 'Seven Stars', is going to be a pastor. Please send cards for next Easter, we will be so happy and you will be happy too. Jesus is our Saviour.''

Closing Hymn.—''Come Let Us Sing'' (399).

Mission Band Prayer.—(Study book, page 5.)

—*Laura A. Dill.*

Miss Cuddy's Bessie

Drobot, Sask.

Dear Miss:

''My father last Tuesday was at the Buchanan. And brought me a great big parcel from you. Which you send me and in which were Christmas presents for me. And which made me a great surprised.

For what I am very thankfull to you, and the same my father and mother and also the rest of our family are very thankfull to you too. And I found there everything what only I needed and what only I wished.

The most interested for me was that great big doll. Which you send me. And the others those two smaller dolls I gave it to my smaller sisters which are very proud of them too.

Anyway I am very much thankfull to you for same and also for those who had helped you in that presents made me a big surprise.

And in the time when I was in the hospital you was very kindfull to me. And you was trying to make we well the soonest you could. For what I am very thankfull to you and I will pray the God about you till my life. For what you are such a good for me poor.''

I remain yours faithfull,
Yours,
Bessy Darychuk

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

RED DEER P.S.—The fifteenth annual meeting was held in Knox Church, Red Deer, January 15th. The Vice-President, Mrs. T. M. Revie, presided. All the reports were most encouraging. The Treasurer reported that $499.40 had been contributed by the Auxiliaries, $96.95 by Mission Bands, and that $596 had been sent to the Provincial Treasurer. The Supply Secretary reported $127.15 contributed for supplies. Eighty books had been sent to Rocky Mountain House for a Sunday School library, and literature to the amount of $18.25 had been sold at the Presbyterial in 1928.

Rev. T. M. Revie, Red Deer, and Mrs. F. W. Allott, Calgary, gave two very fine addresses. Mrs. Revie was elected President. The meetings were most inspiring and delegates were present from Olds, Innisfail, Red Deer, Three Hills and Willowdale.

Edmonton P.S.—Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird was elected President at the sixteenth annual meeting held in First Presbyterian Church, Edmonton, February 5th. The reports were all encouraging. The Treasurer reported contributions of $2,163.46, which was $403 more than last year. There were three Honorary Members and seven Life Members added during the year. One Honorary Membership and one Life Membership had come from the Young Women's Society of First Church, Edmonton. There was a very large attendance at all the sessions. The speaker of the afternoon was Rev. George M. Dix, who gave an able and thoughtful address, stressing the importance of developing one's personality by unselfishness. The formal installation of officers was conducted by the Rev. F. D. Roxburgh. An able talk on C.G.I.T. work was given by Miss Ada Wilkie, M.A. The question drawer was in the capable hands of Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird. Flowers were presented to Mrs. James Adam, in appreciation of her fine service as President for three years. At the banquet in the evening greetings were brought from the Presbytery, the Synod and sister Missionary Societies of the city.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. WM. CUTHBERT, 1820-5TH AVE. W., VANCOUVER, PRESS SECRETARY

WESTMINSTER P.S.—The annual meeting was held February 28th, in St. Stephen's Church, New Westminster. Reports showed excellent work done by all departments. The retiring President, Mrs. Herd, was affectionately remembered by her co-workers, who presented her with a basket of flowers, the address being given by Mrs. Oswald. Mrs. Herd is succeeded by Mrs. Thomson who has long and ably filled the position of Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Thomson's work in the W.M.S. began in Knox Church, Winnipeg, where as a young girl of thirteen she was the first President of the first Mission Band west of the Great Lakes.

This Presbyterial has secured a lantern which can be used for missionary slides. These are of great value in illustrating lectures, and it is hoped that many will avail themselves of the opportunity of using it.

A reception was held in Central Church, February 12th, to enable the members to meet Miss MacMurchy. Addresses were given by Rev. J. M. MacGillivray and Mrs. Ledingham.

We rejoice to report the organization of a Y.W.M.S. in Fairview Church. Mrs. Murchie, Mrs. J. P. McLennan, and Mrs. R. M. Thomson officially greeted the young women. After installation of officers an address was given by the Presbyterial President, Mrs. Thomson, in which she enjoined them to keep a close watch over the missionary endeavors of our own Church, to study the constitution thoroughly, thus avoiding mistakes and entanglements. She then gave a short history of the W.M.S. from 1876.

Victoria P.S. had the opportunity of meeting Miss Pelton, who gave many helpful suggestions regarding the work of our W.M.S.

Kootenay P.S.—The ''Standfast Club'' of St. Stephen's Church, Creston, held their annual meeting in December. Mrs. Dow was re-elected superintendent. Plans have been set forth to make this a most successful year. The boys have two meetings a month. One is devoted to the study of missions, the other is of a recreative nature including fishing, hiking or other activities, under the personal supervision of Mrs. Dow. All meetings open with devotional exercises. The boys use mite boxes and by this means have been able to send a generous contribution to missionary funds. They also sent a Christmas parcel to the Chinese Mission in Vancouver. The ''Ellen Dow'' Y.W.M.S. Auxiliary is a group of eight young girls who show a practical interest in missions. They contributed $43.00 to the missionary schemes of the church as well as sending a bale of Christmas gifts to Dr. Caroline Macdonald's factory girls' school in Tokio, Japan. Mrs. Dow has been appointed superintendent for 1930. The ''Maple Leaf'' Mission Band contributed $32.00 to mission funds, also a quilt and gifts to the Chinese manse, Vancouver. The W.M.S. Auxiliary has been active, although handicapped by having no pastor for five months.

Correction.—The item in February *Glad Tidings* which read ''Knox Church, Creston'' should read Knox Church, Cranbrook.

''Changing China,'' a very interesting paper dealing with present conditions in China, has been added to the Exchange Department, c/o Mrs. D. A. Smith, 175 West Fourth Ave., Vancouver.

Provincial Annual Meeting

The sixteenth annual meeting of British Columbia Provincial W.M.S. was held in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, February 13th. Addresses of welcome and greetings from various Church and inter-Church Societies were given, these being replied to by Mrs. Ledingham.

The public meeting was presided over by Mrs. Ledingham. After devotions led by Rev. H. P. S. Luttrell, Mrs. A. W. Wyllie paid tribute to the late Moderator, the Right Reverend Dr. John Perrie, and a short silence, the members standing, bespoke the deep regret and sorrow they felt.

The President, in her address outlined the work overtaken during the year, making special reference to the itinerating deaconess, Mrs. J. F. McLean, whose work had been invaluable, and the opening up of the field at Livingstone under the supervision of Miss D. Jenkinson, then of Miss Whitby. Miss MacMurchy, the representative from the Council Executive, addressed the meeting, urging the Society to continue steadfastly in the work so well begun.

The morning prayer service was led by Miss Pelton and the devotions of the morning session were taken by Mrs. Patterson of Victoria Presbyterial. She spoke of the disciple Andrew, the personal worker, and how the influence of this one worker is still being felt.

The Treasurer's report was encouraging and reassuring, the allocation has been met but the members hope to do even better.

A résumé of the departmental reports was given by Mrs. T. Wilson, Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. McLean's address dealt with the great need of workers in the widely scattered fields of the Upper Country. Sunday Schools could be opened if teachers were available. She reported having made 400 visits.

At the afternoon session greetings were extended by the Presbyterial Presidents. Each told of advance and increased interest. The Chinese work in the province is in a thriving condition. Miss Crawford and Mrs. McQueen gave a talk on their work and Miss Scott brought a group of tiny Chinese tots to sing for the members.

The installation of officers was conducted by Miss MacMurchy. The question box evoked some discussion. Miss MacMurchy gave the closing words. Speaking on finances generally, she enjoined the Society to work on with renewed zeal, to send all monies to Toronto, to withhold no sums even though the allocation had been met. The need for funds is very great and the Council have to employ expert financing, cutting down wherever possible, in order to meet all the demands.

The invitation from St. Andrew's Church, New Westminster, to hold the seventeenth annual meeting there, was accepted.

MANITOBA

MRS. W. F. HOGARTH, 118 N. JOHN ST., FORT WILLIAM, ONT., PRESS SEC.

BRANDON P.S.—The Thank-offering meeting of the ''Jonathan Goforth'' Mission Band, of St. Andrew's Church, Brandon, was attended by parents and friends of the Band members. The junior President presided with the Superintendent, Mrs. C. W. Watson. Devotions were conducted by Kenneth MacMillan, and Jean Montgomery, and recitations and choruses enjoyed. Mr. Kerr, Carberry, gave a talk on the work of a missionary. Two members won Life memberships and gold seals in one year. Four silver, and one gold seals and six Junior certificates were taken by other members. Mrs. J. J. Cowan, Provincial Mission Band Secretary, presented the seals and certificates and spoke to the children.

Superior P.S. met in First Church, Port Arthur, February 19th, Mrs. Delbridge presiding. Reports were very encouraging. Y. W. Auxiliaries are doing good work. C.G.I.T. have 4 groups. The Mission Bands have 127 members and raised $162. Fort William, Port Arthur and Fort Francis reported Home Helpers Departments. Welcome and Welfare Department reported making 1400 calls. Supplies were sent to the Indian School. Five Life and six Junior Memberships, one In Memoriam subscription and 140 subscriptions to *Glad Tidings* were reported. The Treasurer sent $1,168.24 to the Provincial Treasurer, $168 over the allocation. The ''Margaret Hogarth'' Band, West Fort William, won the banner for the largest attendance, that for highest giving per member was won by Fort Francis Band. Special speakers were Rev. G. Atkins, Fort William, and Rev. Mr. Lennox, Fort Francis. Mrs. Petrie, Fort William, Corresponding Secretary for twelve years, has retired. The Presbyterial expressed its appreciation of her long, faithful service. Mrs. Ballantyne, Fort William, gave the closing words.

The ''Margaret Hogarth'' Mission Band, First Church, West Fort William, held a Valentine party at which nearly fifty children were present. A special feature of the opening exercises was a procession of children who placed their offering in a neatly decorated mission box. Games were played, supper served, and the most exciting part was the closing number when Boyd Lindon acted as postman and delivered Valentines to every one present.

Miss Yuill addressed the Presbyterian Women's Prayer Meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Fort William, and in First Church, Port Arthur, on January 10th.

Rev. Geo. Aitken, of First Church, Port Arthur, was the speaker at the January meeting of St. Andrew's Church Auxiliary, Fort William. There was a splendid attendance.

First Church Auxiliary, Port Arthur, had the Home Helpers as their guests at the February meeting.

The Presbyterial Executive expressed by a vote of thanks their appreciation of Miss Grigor's assistance to the Presbyterial and to the groups of West Fort William, which is now a live congregation.

Winnipeg P.S.—The year's work of St. John's Church Auxiliary, Winnipeg, has been marked by great joy in service. Mrs. Flook was re-elected President.

The Presbyterian Women's Day of Prayer was held in First Church, Winnipeg, January 10th. Mrs. A. M. L. Long, Presbyterial President, presided and spoke on ''Our Watchword for 1930''. ''Guardians of Our Heritage'' was the topic of an address by Rev. David Johnstone. The meeting was largely attended by women from both the city and outlying districts.

ONTARIO

MRS. G. TOWER FERGUSSON, 70 MADISON AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SECRETARY

THE programme for the annual meeting of the Provincial Society, which will be held in Calvin Church, Toronto, April 29th, 30th and May 1st, has again been planned in such a manner as to provide ample time for discussion and conferences. So far, the following speakers have been secured, Mrs. Daniel Strachan, Miss Bessie MacMurchy, Miss Winifred Ferguson, and Dr. Jonathan Goforth.

The Secretaries of the organizations paying the expenses of delegates should forward names as early as possible to the Convener of the Billetting Committee, Mrs. W. R. Adamson, Box 505, Oakville.

RAILWAY INFORMATION

Going tickets and certificates will be issued April 24th to April 29th inclusive, and properly validated certificates will be honored for tickets for the return journey up to and including May 5th. Delegates will please remember to buy a single first class ticket asking at time of purchase for a Standard Certificate.

Huron P.S.—The annual business meeting of the Presbyterial was held in Clinton, January 14th, with a good representation. An interesting letter from Mrs. Graham, formerly of Exeter, wife of our new missionary to Formosa, giving her impressions of that country, was read by the President, who also paid a tribute to the enthusiasm with which the work in the Presbyterial had been carried on throughout the year. (See letters, p. 140).

Kingston P.S.—The sixteenth annual meeting was held in Kingston, February 19th, with a good attendance. All departments showed progress and the allocation was exceeded. Addresses were delivered by Prof. Prince and Mrs. Seymour.

The following changes were made in officers: President, Mrs. G. A. Reid, Belleville; Secretaries—Exchange, Miss L. Warren, Deseronto; Home Helpers, Miss Scott, Picton; Press, Mrs. Duff, Kingston.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, THE "MANSE", BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

A DELIGHTFUL tea for women university students was arranged recently, in Montreal, in which Presbyterial Provincial workers co-operated with other denominations. This tea afforded an opportunity to meet and hear Mr. Kenneth Hooker, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the British Inter-Varsity Fellowship of Evangelical Unions, who is visiting Canadian colleges under the auspices of the Canadian branch of the Fellowship.

Mr. Hooker, by request, told of the growth of the Evangelical Unions. They are now found in all the leading British colleges, a number in American colleges, some scattered groups amongst Continental students and in several Canadian universities. Dr. Howard Guinness has recently gone, at the invitation of students in Australia and New Zealand, to help them also, in the establishment of Evangelical Unions.

The message, however, which this young Cambridge graduate chose to stress, was of the Lord Jesus Himself, and the radiance that comes to student lives surrendered to Him. The address was a simple, earnest testimony to the present miracle working power of Jesus Christ in the hearts and lives of twentieth century students. As we heard of scores of freshmen in British Colleges, who, this year, have been led to accept Jesus as Saviour and Lord, there came a challenge to more faithful united prayer for the students of our own and all lands, that thousands may this year be led into the joyous service of Christ. —*Mrs. G. W. Grier.*

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

MOOSE JAW P.S. held its annual meeting in Knox Church, Moose Jaw, January 30th, Mrs. J. H. Drynan in the chair. Mrs. A. E. F. McLean and Mrs. W. A. Stincombe, of Weyburn, had charge of the devotions. Mrs. H. R. Langille, Corresponding Secretary, reported that there were eight Auxiliaries with membership of 111. One Auxiliary having no missionary in the field, contributed most generously. The meeting deemed this Auxiliary worthy of a special note of appreciation and encouragement. All departmental reports were encouraging. Miss Lily Macarthur was the principal speaker at the afternoon session. All officers stood for re-election, excepting Welcome and Welfare and Literature Secretaries. Miss Macarthur offered the dedicatory prayer. The closing message which had been prepared by Mrs. Stavely, of Weyburn, who was unable to be present, was read by Mrs. McLean, followed by prayer by Mrs. A. R. Ferguson.

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S. held its annual meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Saskatoon, January 22nd and 23rd, Mrs. W. G. Brown presiding. Mrs. C. W. F. Browning, President of St. Andrew's Auxiliary, gave the words of welcome. Mrs. Leggett, North Battleford, replied. Greetings were read from Miss Pelton from British Columbia. Reports of the departmental Secretaries were exceptionally encouraging. There are 12 Auxiliaries with 164 members. Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, led in many interesting discussions on the reports. In the evening a public meeting was held when the Measure Girls' Circle of Parkview Church presented a cantata ''Lighting Candles in Gwalior'' followed by an address by Miss Macarthur.

There is one new officer—*Glad Tidings* Sec. Mrs. Hugh Jack, Biggar.

Regina P.S.—An interesting event in connection with the missionary work in Regina was the designation service of Rev. Douglas Wilkie who has recently left with his bride for Formosa.

Life Members

Ontario Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBERS

Bruce and Owen Sound P.S.—Mrs. J. Grieves, Burgoyne Aux.; Mrs. J. E. Tolton, St. Andrew's Aux., Allenford. **Glengarry P.S.**—Mrs. J. A. MacLeod, Mrs. R. MacQueen, Skye Aux., Dunvegan. **Guelph P.S.**—Mrs. H. Roszell, Creiff Aux., Puslinch; Mrs. O. McBean, Mrs. James Black, Duff's Ch. Aux., Puslinch; Mrs. James Burnett, Knox Ch. Aux., Galt; Miss Roberta Barclay, Knox Ch. Aux., Preston; Mrs. G. M. Ledingham, Mrs. E. Clark, In-as-much Circle, St. Andrew's Ch., Galt; Miss Kate Hill, St. Andrew's Ch. Aux., Guelph; Mrs. E. A. Thomson, Mrs. John Burnett, Knox Ch. Aux., Elora; Mrs. J. A. McPherson, Mrs. R. G. Johnston, Knox Ch. Aux., Guelph; Miss Mary Currie, ''Grace'' M.B., St. David's Ch., Campbellville. **Hamilton P.S.**—Mrs. A. Lawson, St. David's Aux.; Mrs. A. Clark, Knox Aux., St. Catharines; Mrs. J. Laidlaw, Hagersville Aux.; Mrs. S. Fleming, Chalmers Aux., Walpole; Mrs. J. Connell, Ladies' Aid St. Andrew's Ch., Hamilton; Mrs. A. Mercer, Erskine Ch. Aux., Hamilton; Miss F. Matches, Knox Ch. Aux., Hamilton; Mrs. E. M. Dayton, St. Paul's Circle, Hamilton. **Huron P.S.**—Mrs. T. S. Smith, Seaforth Aux.; Mrs. S. Bisset, Goderich Aux.; Mrs. A. Robinson, Auburn Aux. **Kingston P.S.**—Miss M. N. MacTavish, St. Andrew's Ch. Aux., Belleville; Mrs. K. S. Hill, St. Andrew's Club, Belleville; Miss J. McFarlane, Mrs. Leishman, Mrs. A. McPhail, St. Andrew's Ch. Aux., Kingston; Mrs. W. G. Elder, Y.W.M.A., Kingston; Mrs. A. Duggan, Mrs. W. Gay, Ladies' Aid, West Huntingdon; Mrs. J. L. McGowan, Mrs. W. D. Davis, Tweed Aux.; Mrs. G. Cahoon, Picton Aux.; Mrs. H. Rollins, Ladies' Aid, Stirling; Mrs. H. Johnston, Sand

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Correction.—A mistake was made in Life Members for Toronto in last ''Tidings'': Mrs. Margaret Oliver, for MacBean Y.W. Aux. St. John's Church, Toronto, should have read ''Miss'' Margaret Oliver.

HONORARY MEMBERS

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Government grant for Mistawasis	240.00
Refund from Church Extension	1,000.00
Refund from Mistawasis	650.00
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
Ontario	2,500.00
	$12,456.97

DISBURSEMENTS

South Porcupine Hospital	$ 530.00
McMurray Hospital	309.57
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Vegreville Hospital	650.00
Chinese in Canada	1,209.77
Indian School "Cecilia Jeffrey"	769.68
Government Grant "Cecilia Jeffrey"	3,254.62
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Deputation	825.98
Administration	1,276.58
Settlement with Church *re* Dominion Commission	4,524.42
Education of Chinese Candidates	104.00
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Balance on hand December 31st, 1929	$132,633.48	
Receipts	12,456.97	
Disbursements		$ 33,538.89
Bank Balance		48,472.03
Pension Fund		7,522.71
Legacy Fund		9,635.98
Sustaining Fund		31,997.57
Bonds		10,000.00
Associated Treasurers, China		400.00
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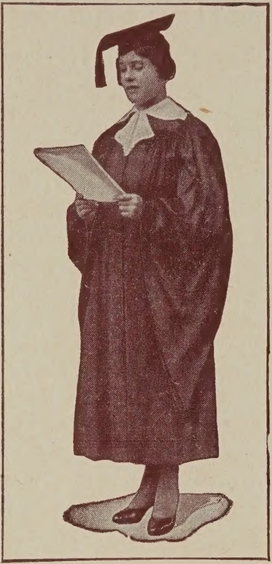

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THE GLAD TIDINGS

"And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God." Luke 8:1.

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Editorial

THE GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS of the Presbyterian Church in Canada met in St. Andrew's Institute, on March 18th. The sessions continued for one week, and were presided over by Rev. D. R. Drummond, D.D., of Hamilton. Rev. Dr. Andrew S. Grant was the Secretary. In addition to the forty-seven members of the Board, which included ten representatives from the W.M.S. (West) and two from the W.M.S. (East), there were present Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan, of India, and Dr. and Mrs. Cropper, of British Guiana.

It was a meeting never to be forgotten. The high standard was set the very first day and it was never lowered. The report of these sessions could not be more accurately described than they were in the head lines of a great daily paper, ''Auld Kirk's Growth Since Church Union Strikingly Shown. Expansion and Prosperity on Every Side and in All Fields.'' Then followed the summary as told by the synodical missionaries, which summary was broadcast that same evening.

Since Union came into effect in Canada in 1925, in the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa alone, thirty-nine Presbyterian Churches have been built at a cost of $1,365,000. The Minority Groups of Montreal Presbytery are not only now self-sustaining, but are contributing to the mission funds of the Church.

The Maritime Provinces presented striking figures showing that while in 1925 there were 118 charges, membership of 16,802 with 10,539 families, 7,593 Sunday School scholars, 597 elders under the pastorate of 50 ministers, to-day there are 130 charges, 17,800 members, including 11,100 families, 9,100 Sunday School scholars, 760 elders and 70 ministers. The budget of $23,040 increased to $40,000.

British Columbia report was brimming with optimism.

Northern Ontario and Eastern Manitoba told of 10 preaching stations and a membership of 2,000 increased to 57 stations and 6,635 communicants, and work carried on in a Synod extending 1,000 miles from east to west and 300 miles from north to south.

With a modesty and simplicity that was deeply impressive, the veteran synodical missionary in Alberta, who had travelled 18,000 miles in the exercise of his duties, told of the establishment of several new preaching stations in the Peace River district, and the organization of some 25 new stations, making the present total about 100.

A graphic story was that of Saskatchewan and Western Manitoba where 15 preaching stations with 2,779 communicants had grown to 94 charges with a membership of 4,606. During the past five years there had been an increase in the W.M.S. offerings from $1,583 to $4,206, in the Budget from $2,353 to $9,829, and givings to all purposes from $72,100 to $151,217.

The extent and diversity of the missionary work undertaken by our Church was seen in the overseas reports, and a delightful touch of realism was given their story by the presence of the missionary workers among the Ukrainians, Italians, Hungarians, Jews and Chinese in Canada.

The appointment of some 200 students to mission fields for the summer occupied several sessions, but what a vision it provided and what a stimulus! Linked with these sessions was the one devoted to the great question of—men for the ministry—the most vital at the present moment. That night it seemed as if we sat with our fingers on the pulse of our Church and heard the very heart beat of those who had taken upon themselves the vows of her sacred ministry, and far as our magazine goes, we would broadcast the challenge of one minister: ''That young men are waiting for a lead, waiting for some one to suggest the Christian ministry.''

A simple but impressive ceremony marked the presentation, to the Board, of the missionary candidates appointed by the W.M.S., to overseas and national work. Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, Candidates Secretary of the W.M.S. (West), presented the following young women, in turn, telling of their qualifications, educational attainments and the fields to which they had been appointed:

To overseas.—Miss Mary E. Anderson, of Acton, Ont., to work among the Koreans in Japan; Miss Catherine Moodie, New Westminster, B.C., a teacher, to the Gwalior Mission in Jhansi, India; Miss Ellen Douglas, New Westminster, B.C., a teacher, to the Bhil Field, India; Miss Mildred Soutar, Hamilton, a nurse, to Amkhut, India; Miss Gladys Timney, Toronto, to evangelistic work in Jhansi, India.

To national service.—Miss Helen Ross, of Chesley, Ont., to deaconess work in Regina and Saskatoon; Miss Margaret Grigor, of Vancouver, (in absentia), to deaconess and Welcome and Welfare work in Vancouver; Miss Beatrice Bernath, a Hungarian, to port work in Quebec; Miss Mary Todd, to port work at Montreal.

Mrs. MacLeod, President of the W.M.S. (East), presented Miss Gladys Murphy, of Eastville, N.S., to the Board, and asked that she be appointed to work among the Koreans in Japan. Dr. Drummond welcomed the candidates and the audience stood as the Rev. J. A. Brown, of Ingersoll, offered the prayer of dedication.

''THE GLAD TIDINGS'' has a little sister in Budapest, Hungary. It is called "Örömhio"—*Glad Tidings*, and is for children. It is not specially a mission magazine, but it brings in each number more or less about missions and teaches the children to pray and to work for the mission. Where the leaders are willing to help, they get little collecting cards and work quite nicely. In many villages and towns people get to know and to love mission work through the little paper. Mme. de Misley, the Editor, has kindly sent several sample copies and has written thanking our W.M.S. for their kindness in forwarding her the missionary literature, of which we spoke in the March issue.

Now comes another request to the International Secretary, to send a letter of welcome to Mme. Galland, of Geneva.

THE INTERNATIONAL AND INTERDENOMINATIONAL DEPARTMENT of our W.M.S. is a branch of our work which functions quietly but effectively. Each year, at this time, letters and reports arrive from the different countries, and how delightful they are! The letters bear such sincere goods wishes, and assure us of their interest in the work of our Society as related in the annual reports and in the official magazine.

Mrs. Hey, of New South Wales, Australia, for instance, says, ''*The Glad Tidings* is eagerly welcomed every month and read with great interest. Any bits of news that I think will interest the Committee, I pass on to them at the monthly meeting and it seems to bring us into such close touch with each other. May our World Day of Prayer, on March 7th, be a day of rich spiritual blessing. We are hoping to join in it in New South Wales.''

The other is from Mrs. Gray, Johannesburg, Transvaal, South Africa. She says, ''I have not had *Glad Tidings* lately, and would be glad to have copies of that delightful magazine, even if there are old numbers sent. Some I pass on here, some I send to two missionary friends in far-off Nigeria. One Edinburgh lady in that distant field was here with her baby recently. Her husband, Dr. Stanley Jackson, is a South Africa boy who studied medicine in Scotland and in a wonderful, surprising way discovered a remedy for ''yaws'', a loathsome skin disease, not leprosy, but nearly as disfiguring. It is marvellous to think of this discovery and how it is opening the way for the missionary to those dark minds and diseased bodies, giving the natives confidence and cordiality towards the white mission doctor and affording a wonderful ''open door'' to the mission.

Because of my interest in purity work and my service in moral and social hygiene, I have been asked to unveil a window to Josephine Rutter, in the Church of England Cathedral here, as the wife of the pioneer Presbyterian minister of the Transvaal. Such courtesy from the Anglican Dean is warmly appreciated.''

And thus the work grows and the interest widens. These few paragraphs alone, tell of four far distant places where our work is being remembered—Budapest, New South Wales, Johannesburg, Nigeria. Let those of us who live in little places or work in small Auxiliaries, or in what we may term narrow confines, look up to God in thanksgiving that we can look out through the windows of our Society to our sister societies in the uttermost parts of the world.

THE BUNGALOW AT JOBAT is progressing, but it takes a much longer time in India than in Canada to get things done. All the timbers for the roof had first to be selected in the forest, brought in to Amkhut and sawed up and then carted to Jobat, which is not as easy as it sounds. Fortunately, the jungle was being cut in the vicinity of Amkhut, this year, and this saved the expense of hauling it from a distance. The picture was taken the day the workers went to the jungle to look at wood. The oxen were hauling the logs out to where the carts could come. Miss Williamson, who pictured the above event for us, naïvely remarks, ''It does not look unlike pioneer days in Canada.''

Hauling logs for the W.M.S. Bungalow at Jobat

The Rajah and the Political Agent and his wife recently paid a visit to Amkhut. The Political Agent seemed very much interested in the work among the Bhils. He particularly wished to see the school, and was delighted with the boys and girls.

THE COUNCIL EXECUTIVE is almost as happy as is our dear Miss Robson, over the prospect of having a bungalow of her own at Toran Mall. The plans have been approved by Council on the field and the Executive here. It is simple in design. The living room is the width of the house, and there are two bedrooms, a kitchen and a bathroom, a verandah runs across the front of the house which faces the lake. Between overseeing the erection of the Children's Nursing Home at Amkhut and the bungalow at Toran Mall, our missionary finds her interest tugging both ways.

MISS ELISE BARLOW, of British Guiana, who has completed her deaconess training, is returning to British Guiana as Principal of the Girls' Training Home at New Amsterdam, under the W.M.S. (East).

WE WOULD EXTEND our deep sympathy to Mrs. Wm. Foote, a valued member of W.M.S. (Eastern Division) in the sorrow that has come to her in the death of her husband, Rev. Wm. R. Foote, D.D., of Korea, at his home in Wolfville, N.S. In 1898 Dr. Foote sailed for Korea, and was a witness and also shared in the remarkable triumphs of the gospel in mission work during the generation following his arrival on the field. We earnestly pray the comfort of God for his widow and five children in their great loss.

Our National Mission Work

A Résumé of the Work of 1929

HOSPITALS

IN the pioneer districts of our country, the four hospitals under the W.M.S. are serving the sick and needy, in larger numbers, and with greater efficiency.

Canora, Sask.—The ''Hugh Waddell'' Memorial Hospital has had the most successful year in its history. There were 851 patients admitted, which was 116 more than the previous year, and an increase of 249 over 1927. There have been 379 operations—139 more than last year. That these have been successful, is shown in the low percentage of deaths from operations—slightly over one-half of one per cent. (.51%). The maternity service increased from 63 cases to 74, and the Superintendent hopes that 1930 will see an even greater number, as this is one department through which much can be done for the mothers of the community. Through the Supply Department many of the foreign mothers in the hospital were supplied with outfits for their new babies, which made them very happy.

The Superintendent, Miss M. W. Cuddy, deserves the highest praise for her excellent management of the hospital, also the staff of five nurses. Beside the graduate nurses there are 5 ward helpers, girls representing the following nationalities: Roumanian, Ukrainian, German. As these girls can converse with the patients in their own language, they add to the hospital efficiency, and form a strong link of friendship between the foreign patient and the hospital. Warm appreciation is extended to the Hospital Aid for their untiring work and many useful gifts. In the spring, an electric mangle was installed and in the fall, new mattresses were provided. The financial statement for the year was extremely good, the salary of the Superintendent and graduate nurses being the only expense to the Women's Missionary Society.

Vegreville, Alta.—The "Rolland M. Boswell" Hospital has had a busy year although, owing to the crop failure, there were 18 less patients than in the previous year. There were 514 patients admitted. Surgical operations numbered 164, obstetrical cases, 84. A much needed improvement was the installing of the town water. Previously the supply had been obtained from wells, but through the efforts of Miss McPherson and Dr. Reid, the town council were prevailed upon to pipe the water out to the hospital. Hearty thanks are due the Hospital Aid for its wonderful gift of a Frigidaire, which is a great saving of labor and money. This splendid band of women are untiring in their efforts to help on the work.

Fort McMurray, Alta.—During the year, Miss Olive Ross, Superintendent, had 8 patients in hospital: 1 bronchial-pneumonia; 2 stomach; 1 'flu; 2 bronchitis; 1 rheumatism; 1 maternity case; and 1 mental patient. Besides the above she treated 60 out-patients; did several surgical dressings, gave advice to mothers regarding the feeding of their babies; and made 185 visits. In addition, she conducts a Mission Band and a Sunday School.

South Porcupine, Ont.—The closing of several of the mines and the burning of the Dome mine has lessened the population of South Porcupine, and reduced the attendance of patients at our hospital. During 1929, 192 patients, the majority of whom were miners, were admitted. Surgical patients (operative) 44; (non-operative) 11; medical patients, 71; also 38 obstetrical patients (including 6 abortions, 26 babies and 3 still-born). Three doctors attended their patients in the hospital. Patients representing 16 nationalities were admitted, of that number 89 were Canadian, the remainder were of foreign birth. Miss Mary B. Wenger, first nurse, succeeded Miss Flora P. Smart as Superintendent, July 1st, 1929.

SCHOOL HOMES

The total enrollment in our six School Homes is 137.

Vegreville, Alta.—Vegreville is situated in the midst of settlements of newcomers to our land and our two Homes here are proving a strong force in fostering Canadian ideals. There are 58 pupils enrolled, some of them live many miles from a school and, if they had not been brought to the Homes, would have missed school altogether. Two pupils, one in the high and one in the public school won the ''Cecilia Bower'' prize of six dollars each. During the year 8 united with the Church and all are interested in the Mission Band, Sunday School and Bible class. They give an offering at their meetings realizing the benefits they are receiving and wishing to help others. All passed their examinations in June, and their tests at Christmas were very satisfactory, no average being less than 72 per cent.

New Liskeard, Ont.—The School Home opened with an enrollment of 10. Two of the charter members got their junior leaving examinations in June and one is now taking a commercial course in Toronto, and the other is entering the Civic Hospital in Ottawa for training. Both of these girls write regularly to the Home. All the pupils are earnest students, two intend to be teachers. They are active in St. Andrew's Church, taking part in the Young People's Society, the Sunday School and C.G.I.T., and are always willing to help when called on.

Huntingdon, Que.—School enrollment 23, 17 boys and 6 girls, 5 being refused for lack of accommodation. With the exception of two from Ontario, these pupils come from all parts of the Province of Quebec, and all attend the public and high schools. On Sabbath morning the whole School may be seen seated in the three front pews of St. Andrew's Church, and afterwards in the Sunday School, where three are teachers. Worship is held night and morning, and, at the table, each one takes his or her turn in asking a blessing. Four of the girls are connected with the C.G.I.T., one being President, while the younger children belong to the Mission Band.

Prince Albert, Sask.—''Lucy M. Baker'' School Home has 15 students, including the 4 wards of the W.M.S., 12 attending the collegiate, 2 the business college, and 1 the public school. The students are nearly all from farm homes, and take a keen interest in their studies. All attend the services and Sunday School at St. Paul's Church.

Saskatoon, Sask.—The average number in the Home for the year has been 31, which is almost the limit of accommodation. The girls are developing a leadership which is very fine to see. The missionary meetings, held once a month, are full of action, interest and variety. The subjects from the study book, ''Lands of Promise,'' have been well handled by the girls, themselves, who have prepared and read all, but one, of the papers. The meetings are well conducted by the President and Secretary, and any business handled with despatch and interest. The girls are taught to carry a thing through whether it be a missionary meeting, a Bible class, or a social party and they are learning to work in an organization and through proper channels. It is developing talents which some of them did not know they possessed. In October, the Moderator, the Rev. Dr. Perrie was in Saskatoon for the anniversary services of St. Andrew's Church. He was entertained at dinner and afterwards conducted evening worship. The service will live in the memories of those present, saddened as all are by the great loss which our Church has since sustained.

INDIAN RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

One of the outstanding things in the Indian reports is the expressed desire of the principals of the residential schools to see the foundation of Christian character laid. The most effective road to that goal is through the children. The means used are not new. With each new day they turn to the old Word, that always has a message to satisfy the soul.

Birtle, Man.—Eighty-five are enrolled at this school. One pupil, Hazel Coté, in grade 10, averaged over 70 per cent. Seven expect to write entrance examinations at midsummer. Particular care is taken of food, and building up strength of these growing boys and girls. Abundance of good milk, vegetables and meats are served. Crops were a little better than the two previous years. A choice herd of milking shorthorns has been built up. We have now 35 pure bred animals, also 8 horses, 25 pigs and 22 sheep. These and the farm a few miles distant, give the boys a valuable training in caring for land and stock.

During the year $150.00 was sent in to the W.M.S. by the staff, the C.G.I.T., and Senior and Junior Mission Bands. These groups spent weeks preparing for a sale of work to help this fund. A collection the first Sunday of each month is used for Sunday School supplies, and the surplus given to missions. The great need at Birtle is a new School building. The Government is making diligent search for a suitable site. The Society owes a great debt to Mr. and Mrs. Currie and the staff, working under present conditions. Congratulations are due Mr. and Mrs. Currie, who complete twenty years of faithful and exceedingly fine service, March, 1930. May they long be spared to this great work.

Mistawasis.—The Improved Day School has been continued throughout the year under the care of the teacher, Miss Sadie McQueen. There were 15 on the roll, 11 treaty Indians, 3 non-treaty and 1 little white girl, with an average attendance of 9. During the first part of the year, 5 pupils from a distance lived at the Mission House. The noon meal has been given to all throughout the year, the menu "consisting of soup with biscuits, and sometimes jam and tea or cocoa." The children attend Church and Sunday School, under the teaching of Rev. Mr. Moore. The great desire of the Indians and of Chief Dreaver, a man of

74 years of age, is that the boys and girls shall be Christian and Presbyterian. It is regrettable that there is no Presbyterian Residential School in the province.

"Cecilia Jeffrey," Ont.—Up until the summer vacation, school was continued at the old site forty-five miles from Kenora, under Mr. Menzies as principal. In the spring, Mr. E. W. Byers of Brandon, was appointed to take charge of the new school, three miles from Kenora. The old site, with its buildings has been placed at the disposal of Manitoba Synod "for $1.00 per year and any expense of upkeep" for Summer School purposes. The formal opening and dedication of the new school was held November 6th. It was indeed a great event when Mr. P. Hutcheson, M.P.P., representing the Government, presented the key to the W.M.S. Secretary of Indians. Eighty-seven are on the roll, among these being a number never before in a school, although of teen-age. Under the capable staff very good work is being done. The boys and girls are taught the regular public school subjects for the half day, and drilled in house and farm work the other half. All are being encouraged in organized play. The boys and girls attend service in town. The opening up of a Presbyterian service by our Church is eagerly awaited.

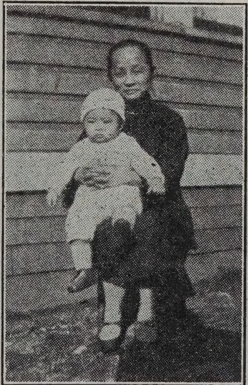
CHINESE IN CANADA

Work among the Chinese is carried on in 5 centres—Victoria, Vancouver, Montreal, Toronto and Brockville.

Kindergarten Classes have 125 children enrolled. Victoria has 42, Miss Scott and Miss Chan are the teachers. Mrs. Macqueen has 31 older pupils for English. In Vancouver, 25 are enrolled. Miss Dickman and Miss Crawford are the teachers. Toronto has 18. The work here is interdenominational. In Montreal, the teachers are Miss Reid, Miss Jue and Mrs. Herman. The class numbers 40. Mrs. Frazer Robertson who gave part time help withdrew in September and the Board secured Mrs. Herman. In Vancouver 100 mothers and children attended the Christmas entertainment, and 100 children and 22 mothers were present in Toronto.

Music Classes link the teen-age girls with the mission. In Victoria, Miss Scott has 31 pupils. In Vancouver, 9 get lessons from Mrs. Cuthbert and Miss Dickman. Miss Dickson has 4 in Toronto.

Sunday Schools.—All the activities of the mission contribute to the Sunday School. Victoria has 109 scholars enrolled, 8 teachers,



Mrs. Yeung, wife of the Chinese minister in Vancouver, with baby Kenneth

4 being Chinese. Eleven senior pupils received awards for memory work and attendance and 4 have confessed Christ. Two are preparing for medical mission work—David Lee, in Shanghai, and Lillian Leung, in Toronto. Vancouver has an increased attendance and 11 teachers. There are 51 names on the cradle roll. One of the pupils, Miss Lily Yeung, is in Toronto preparing for mission work in China. Toronto has 40 pupils. They meet in Cooke's Church. Miss Dickson is Superintendent. Offerings $27.64. In Montreal, Miss Reid and Miss Jue accompany the kindergarten children to the Sunday School.

Other Activities.—There is a Mission Band of 35 members in Victoria, a C.G.I.T. and a Chinese W.M.S. of 12 members, which contributed $42.70. Men and women were taught English. Homes visited, 45. Vancouver has a C.G.I.T. Group of 9. They put on an art exhibit and raised $60.00 for the new church. A Trail Ranger Group of 14 boys have received their recognition certificate from the Boys' Work Secretary. The ''Jun Kwong'' Mission Band of 13 members sent in $10.00. In Toronto, Miss Dickson holds a class for 9 women on Sabbath afternoons. Offerings were $41.66. These go to support a Bible woman in China and to leper work. The Red Cross Society meets weekly for sewing. A bazaar was held in November. Receipts, $300.00. A class of 18 boys and girls was held Saturday afternoon. The Daily Vacation Bible School held in July had an enrollment of 41. Miss Dickson visited 50 Chinese women in their homes. She also held a monthly service for women in Hamilton and visited 11 homes.

There are 45 Chinese women in Montreal. Many are anxious to study the Bible. A large number attend the monthly meeting when a gospel message is given. Chinese families in 9 nearby points were visited. The lonely women appreciate a gospel talk in their own tongue. The men receive tracts.

Mr. and Mrs. Lor Leip

Saskatchewan. — Mrs. Walter Martin, Regina, has visited the women and children in the city and outside points. The International Sunday School lessons, primary picture cards in Chinese, and the beginner's leaflet in English, have been mailed to each home every two weeks.

Brockville. — Eight mothers, 4 young women and 15 children reside in this city and neighboring places. Miss Davies visits or corresponds with them regularly. Literature is given to the men. The reception of Mr. and Mrs. Lor Leip, after their Christian marriage in North Bay, was quite an event. This Christian home will be a blessing.

Gratitude has been expressed in every centre for the splendid supplies contributed and for the fine voluntary service rendered.

WELCOME AND WELFARE AND DEACONESS DEPARTMENT

The Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Department employs a staff of 18. Of these 13 are permanent workers with full time salary, 1 is part time and 4 are special summer workers. Port and station workers welcome newcomers, secure names of Presbyterians and forward them to the nearest Church wherever possible.

Deaconesses at large carry on Home Mission work in districts where congregations are small and scattered, and where by visiting, gathering in Sunday School scholars, and holding service, they can help to build up the Church membership.

Group of Jewish Girl Guides and their visitors
at Scott Institute, Toronto

These workers are located as follows: At Quebec port, one permanent and two additional workers during the summer; in Montreal, two permanent and one summer worker; in Toronto, one hospital visitor, one in Jewish work, and one in station work during the summer; one deaconess at large is stationed at Hamilton; Winnipeg has one deaconess and Welcome and Welfare worker; East Selkirk, one missionary deaconess; Gonor, Man., one missionary deaconess; Regina, one deaconess at large; Saskatoon, one station worker during the summer; Vancouver, one deaconess and Welcome and Welfare worker; the province of British Columbia, one itinerating deaconess.

LIBRARY

The opening up of the Peace River District, Alta., and The Pas, Man., and many new camps, has added new avenues for the Library department. There is, as always, need for care in the selection of literature as much of the benefit of this work depends on a high standard being maintained. The suggestion is also made that Library Secretaries obtain the names of newcomers from their Welcome and Welfare Secretaries and follow up the names given, with literature, Church papers, and especially Sunday School papers for the children.

Alberta.—Much literature was distributed, and help offered to student missionaries. Books and papers were mailed direct to individuals in lonely districts and a library of 80 books was sent to Rocky Mountain House.

British Columbia.—Four Presbyterials are taking part in Library work, every branch of which seems well cared for. One hundred Christmas cards, and hundreds of magazines and books were sent to needy localities. The Old People's Home at Kamloops and Tranquille Sanatorium have been well supplied with literature.

Manitoba.—A circulating library has been established through the gift of books on missionary enterprise, copies being placed in the hands of Presidents with the hope that they might prove of value in preparing papers for Auxiliary meetings.

Ontario.—Twenty-two Presbyterials took active part in the Library work. Ten minority groups were supplied with Sunday School Libraries. The Missionary and Deaconess Training Home received a fine collection of books. Magazines and books were placed in all local institutions. The interest of C.G.I.T. Groups and Y.W.M. Societies was shown by their contributions.

Quebec.—Generous supplies of literature have been sent out. The needs of the student mission stations were well supplied. Books and magazines were sent to Fort McMurray, Vegreville and British Columbia.

Saskatchewan.—Good work has been done through lists received from Mr. B. F. Johnston, who had charge of the missionary van. Prince Albert Presbyterial sent 180 parcels of books and magazines, subscribed to magazines for lonely settlers and looked well after the needs of the student missionary.

SUPPLIES

The lists of supplies required for 1929 were, as usual, received from the Council Secretaries of National Missions—Hospital, School Homes, Indian Schools, Social Service and Orientals in Canada. Requests for supplies for the Mission Fields and Indian Reserves were received through the Synodical Missionaries. From these lists the allocations of supplies were prepared and forwarded to the Provincial Supply Secretaries, to be in turn distributed among the Presbyterials. As a result of the year's efforts, the workers in all departments of National Missions have had the supplies necessary to make their work effective. The bales sent to the mission fields and Indian reserves have served to lighten the burden in many a home. Several families brought to Canada by the British Settlement Society have been provided with clothing.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a cheque from the Dominion Government for $172.28, the amount paid for freight on supplies to our Indian Schools. This cheque was received on presentation of (1) *invoices* showing quantity and value of the supplies; (2) *receipted shipping bills,* showing weight of bales and freight charges; (3) *receipt slip* signed by the person to whom the supplies are shipped. These vouchers should be complete and accurate in every detail before being forwarded to the Supply Secretary of the Council. While it is absolutely necessary to have these vouchers for shipments to Indian Schools, it is also necessary to have them for all other shipments in order that our records may be complete. Presbyterial Supply Secretaries may receive a supply of invoice forms and receipt slips by applying to their Provincial Supply Secretaries, or by sending to the W.M.S. Office, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto, for them.

Reports from all the Provincial Supply Secretaries, indicate that our women are deeply interested in the work of this department. The estimated value of supplies according to provinces is: Alberta, $603.30; British Columbia, $588.09; Manitoba, $1,327.23; Ontario, $23,402.39; Quebec, $1,440.02; Saskatchewan, $204.85; total $27,565.88. Beside this a considerable amount was expended for additional furnishings and renewals in the institutions of the Society. These figures convey no adequate conception of the activities of the department unless we can visualize the 45,000 women and children in our Society, meeting regularly from month to month, busily engaged in preparing the various articles required by their allocations.

ONLY A HOME HELPER?

"I HAVE been a bed patient for eight years and therefore my activities are limited. Now I am only a Home Helper, but my interest in our beloved work grows deeper as time goes on. Each month I look forward eagerly to getting my *Glad Tidings*, after reading it I send it on to another invalid who loves it and enjoys it just as much as I do. I count my *Glad Tidings* among my most treasured blessings. But my heart aches that I can not be up and about, when I read of the great needs of our work—but I can always pray."

The World Day of Prayer

WHAT ONE "LISTENER-IN" HEARD

FEW things are more significant of the depth of religious feeling and faith that exists throughout the Christian world than the widespread interest and participation in the World Day of Prayer, which was observed by women of different denominations and of many nationalities on Friday, March 7th, when services of prayer were held around the world. The programme, drawn up by a Korean girl was used in all countries and had as its theme, "That Jesus May be Lifted Up."

The collection taken at the services is expended for interdenominational purposes by the Inter-Board Committee, and this year will be used for Christian literature for women and children in many lands; Christian literature for the Moslems; the Canadian Bible Society; the Canadian School of Missions;* and also a special object, the Kingdom of God campaign in Japan!

In one city an interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of the lesson at each of the Churches where meetings were held, by New Canadians in their own language. Those taking part included; Italian, Finnish, Bulgarian, Czechoslovakian, Dutch, Welsh, Swedish, Ukrainian, Russian, Polish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese.

"We had a splendid meeting and found special joy in observing the Day of Prayer."

"All churches were represented, also the I.O.D.E."

"We had the largest attendance we have ever had, each Missionary Society in town was represented."

"We were a gathering of 14 women but a wonderful spirit of prayer was manifested, so glad to be able to have a share."—*Sask.*

"We hope from now on this day will always be observed by the women."—*Alberni, B.C.*

"We had a very fine and inspirational service, and thought this year's programme was exceptionally good, and all-embracing. Miss Helen Kim is to be congratulated on this splendid work. May the proceeds be a great blessing in the work to which they are apportioned."

"I wish you could have been present at the Vesper service yesterday. It was so reverent and beautiful. The central portion of the Church was filled, all the front pews being taken by cadets of the Salvation Army Garrison Training School. They marched in uniform, carrying their banners. In the choir loft were about thirty-six 'teen-age girls in their choir gowns. The service lasted exactly one-half hour, from 5.30 to 6. That meant cutting the programme. I felt that any service so sincere and so carefully planned must have been the result of much thought and prayer. Those who worked together this year were drawn into a close and delightful fellowship.''—*Manitoba.*

''There was not time to use the entire programme, but several of the girls took the prayers and we felt we had a good service. At evening worship the night before, I read the article in our *Glad Tidings* and Mrs. Strachan's plea for the observance of the day. We arranged for breakfast to be earlier as our service had to be from 7.30 to 8 o'clock in order that the university girls might get away to their early classes, and there would not be that sense of hurry which spoils a meeting of this kind.''—*Saskatchewan.*

''At the suggestion of one of the Vice-presidents of a Young Women's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church that, as young women could not participate in the afternoon meeting, they arrange a meeting on the Friday evening, thirty young women gathered and carried out the programme. At the close these young women expressed the desire that, another year, there might be many such gatherings, not only in Toronto, but wherever possible, and that they be interdenominational.''

''The President of the Women's Branch of the W.A. of All Saints conducted a part of the service incorporating two or three suitable colleces from the Prayer Book and making the petitions of the silent prayer responsive with the words 'Lord hear our prayer' and 'Let our cry come unto Thee,' following the hymn 'My faith looks up to Thee.' The offertory was placed on a plate at the door. It has been suggested that a Day of Prayer in which the young people of the different churches in the different communities might gather to offer up their petitions and sing their praises for the Extension of Christ's Kingdom be started next year.''—*Penetanguishene.*

''Our Church was filled with ladies from every religious denomination, Presbyterian, Anglican, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army, Gospel Mission, Baptist, United, and every Church took some part in the service of prayer and praise. We had a wonderful outpouring of spiritual blessing and we indeed felt as if the place whereon we stood was holy ground. After the meeting closed one dear sister said 'I just feel as if I must get home and be alone with God for a time,' so I believe Christ will be lifted up in High River and we will be spiritually strengthened to carry on in our Master's service.''—*Alta.*

''The offering on the Day of Prayer was augmented by the amount on hand, which we gathered from our penny collections at the United Mission Study class. We did not wish that to be a paying proposition, so we made it as small as possible, not debarring any one from giving more. The Day of Prayer was a spiritual time, a time of heart searching and renewed consecration. It *must* do good. The meeting although not quite as large as last year, was more representative.''

''I write this on the evening of the Day of Prayer. Our Indian women have just gone home with the husbands who brought them and their dear brown babies. Just a few of them, but they came the fifteen miles in to Birtle, to join with a few friends here in the praise and prayer rising from the hearts of women the world over.

''Our meeting started with dinner at 12.30 for those who had arrived, another at 2.30 for two later comers, and then, just after three o'clock, we commenced our hour of prayer and song, mingling our voices and languages. It was a good hour, for we sang and prayed to Him who hears all tongues, and condescends to bless all simple, eager hearts. Two prayers in English, two in Indian, a solo in Indian and a duet in English, the reading of the Scriptures, a few words concerning the meaning of the day and a short exhortation, with three hymns, and the hour was over. Also the day was going fast, so with another cup of tea for all twenty who came together, words of good wishes, and happy hearts, our splendid Indian friends made themselves ready for the road once more. As I write they will have reached home. We pray that in their lives and in ours Jesus Christ may indeed be lifted up.''—*Bird Tail Indian Reserve, Manitoba.*

* See page 176.

The Value of the School of Missions to the Mission Boards

MRS. DANIEL STRACHAN

THE School of Missions has now been long enough in existence here for Mission Boards to speak with some authority as to its value to them.

That value falls, naturally, under two heads—the value to the missionaries and candidates of the various Boards and the value to the Board members themselves.

One of the primary concerns of all Boards is the training of their missionaries, for on the fitness of the missionary, spiritually, physically and mentally, the success of the work on the field largely depends. With the passing of years and the growth and establishment of indigenous Churches in other lands, has come a greater demand for specialized training, and our missionaries returning from their fields feel constrained ever to seek new and improved methods in their own special line of missionary service. As Boards we recognize what this School has meant to us in this way. We can now direct our missionaries to this School of Missions, where without loss of time, arrangements can be made for any course desired.

I am sure I will not be misunderstood when I say that it has meant much to Mission Boards to have this School established in Canada. A Canadian institution, of necessity, understands best the outlook and need of Canadian students, and besides the home ties and associations of our workers need not now be interfered with by having to go elsewhere for further training.

I am sure all Boards feel increasingly that with the growth of work and the press of many details and many meetings, they cannot give the time to their furloughed missionaries that is their due, and rejoice that there is now this splendidly equipped building where they may meet together.

Again I am confident that this School of Missions has been able to demonstrate to all the institutions and individuals with which it comes in contact, as no individual Board could do, that there is no "strange land" in which the songs of Zion may not be sung, nothing secular or sacred, nothing common or unclean, but that the Gospel of Christ in its application to mission work is concerned with and enters into every department of life, whether it be theology, agriculture, medicine, educational work, nursing or music. It also goes far to keep alive in our universities that spirit, which in years gone by has brought the best and brightest to the missionary service. For this, as Boards, we value this School.

Of what it means to our candidates in training, I have not time to dwell. The privilege of meeting here experienced missionaries and mingling with veterans from the field, plays no small part in their training. And the benefit from their participation in the various courses and special lectures only they and their Boards know.

Of its value to Board members, I need only mention the prayer services, the social gatherings and the only too rare special lectures from missionary leaders which we are privileged to attend, and which all give inspiration to busy Board secretaries.

All this, and far more, this School of Missions has meant to our Mission Boards. I trust our Mission Boards have meant as much to the School of Missions.

The above address was given at the opening of the School of Missions, and is reproduced in this issue because the School of Missions is one of the objects to which the collection from the Day of Prayer was given.—Ed.

"Where there is Faith, there is Love;
Where there is Love, there is Peace;
Where there is Peace, there is God,
Where there is God, there is no need."

G.M. Murphy
F.D. Blair
Miss W. Ferguson
Principal
C.M. Moodie
E. Barlow
A.K. Beaton
I.T. Hunter
H.M. Ross
E.I. Douglas
B.M. Bennett
M.G. Todd
PRESBYTERIAN
MISSIONARY & DEACONESS
TRAINING HOME
GRADUATING CLASS
AND
SPECIAL STUDENTS
1929-1930
M.E. Soutar
M.E. Anderson

THE CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE MISSIONARY AND DEACONESS TRAINING HOME

KNOX College Chapel was a beautiful setting for the solemn service which marked the closing exercises of the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, on the evening of April 10th. Before a congregation that far over-taxed the Chapel the impressive service began. Led by the Oakwood Church choir, the congregation sang the 89th Psalm. Rev. F. G. Vesey led in prayer and Rev. Edgar Forman gave the scripture message.

Reviewing the work of the year, Miss Winifred Ferguson, the Principal, referred to the twenty students in residence, and the twelve who were graduating, which marked the high tide in the history of the institution. Six were accepted candidates of the W.M. Societies for overseas fields and six have elected to give their service to the Church at home. The personnel of the Home included also one medical student, two young Chinese students taking preparatory courses in the collegiate and technical schools, four completing their first year in the regular course of study, and one taking a special course in music, preparatory to work in Formosa. The academic standing of the students is higher than that of former years, ten out of fifteen taking the prescribed two years' course and ten out of the fifteen having taken over 75 per cent. To instance the demands made by various Church societies for speakers from the Home, the principal stated, that the students have given service on 191 occasions. This has been a very real means of stimulating missionary interest.

The presentation of class certificates to the first year students was made by Rev. John McNab, M.A., those for the Teacher Training Course by Rev. W. M. Kannawin, D.D. Rev. J. A. Hilts, Moderator of the Presbytery, conferred the diplomas on the twelve graduates, Miss Ferguson adding the deaconess pin, the students in each case receiving a diploma from the hands of the Chairman, R. J. Lillico.

An impressive feature of the closing was the designation by the Presbytery of Miss Beatrice Bernath of Mako, Hungary. Miss Bernath came from Hungary to the United States at the age of seven, and returned to Hungary to enter a finishing school in her native land where she became governess in the family of the Minister of Education in Hungary. Three years ago she came to Canada and is now under appointment to engage in Welcome and Welfare work at the port of Quebec, under the W.M.S.

The Rev. Robert Johnston, D.D., of Ottawa, addressed the graduates, and his thoughtful and timely message made a deep impression. He compared the place of women in the early Church, with the position they occupy in the Church to-day, and pointed out that as the Church becomes increasingly organized, it has come to depend more and more on the ministry of women, and whether they be ordained or no they have a ministry all their own which they can exercise for Christ and His Church. He closed with a ringing challenge to the deaconesses, ''sisters of service'' he called them, to cultivate these qualities of heart and mind that will bring power to their work.

The Rev. John Buchanan, M.D., D.D., former Moderator, and a veteran missionary in India, pronounced the benediction.

The graduates and their fields of work are as follows:

In Canada, under the W.M.S. (W.D.) Miss Helen Ross, deaconess at large, Saskatchewan; Miss Beatrice Bernath, Welcome and Welfare worker at the port of Quebec; Miss Mamie Todd, Welcome and Welfare worker at the port of Montreal.

Under the Board of Missions of the Church, Miss Isabella Hunter, deaconess under the Presbytery of Winnipeg; Miss Annie Beaton and Miss Frances Blair.

To Overseas Fields, under the W.M.S. (W.D.) Miss Ellen Douglas, evangelist-teacher, and Miss Mildred Soutar, nurse, to the Bhil Field, India; Miss Catherine Moodie, to the Gwalior Field; Miss E. Anderson, evangelist, to the Koreans in Japan. Under the W.M.S. (E.D.), Miss Gladys Murphy, teacher-evangelist, to the Koreans in Japan. Miss Elise Barlow, missionary on furlough, is returning to British Guiana.

The following first year students received certificates: Miss Elizabeth G. MacDougall, Belle River, P.E.I.; Miss Frieda E. Matthews, Stirling, Ont.; Miss Georgie MacLeod Roy, Westville, N.S.; Miss Isabel Taylor, Orillia, Ont.; Miss Millicent A. Walker, Tisdale, Sask.

The scholarship given by Mrs. J. H. Turnbull, for general proficiency, was won by Miss Annie Beaton; the Knox College scholarship, given by Miss E. S. Burns, was also won by Miss Beaton, but went, by reversion, to Miss Isabella Hunter. The essay prize was won by Miss Gladys Murphy. In the first year the general proficiency scholarship was awarded to Miss Mary Anderson, and the scholarship in Knox College subjects, also won by Miss Anderson, went, by reversion, to Miss Frieda Matthews.

Lantern Slides

Mrs. C. S. McDonald

IN 1925, the Lantern Slide Department was re-established. A Committee was formed to carry on the work of the department, composed of representatives of the Board of Missions, the Young People's and Sunday School Board, and the Women's Missionary Society, as the work is financed by these Boards.

Eight sets of slides are made of each field. These are sent out to Secretaries in the various provinces and it is to these Secretaries that all applications for slides should be made. The Secretaries are as follows:

Alberta—Mrs. W. Carmichael, Carstairs.

British Columbia—Mrs. G. E. Ellis, 4323 Inverness St., Vancouver.

Saskatchewan and Manitoba—Mrs. J. W. Hedley, 2358 Broad St., Regina, Sask.

Ontario—Mrs. A. W. Talbot, 8 Biggar Ave., Toronto.

Quebec—Miss H. D. Rhind, 1179 St. Mark St., Montreal.

Maritime Provinces—Mrs. S. W. McCulloch, Truro, N.S.

The Committee would suggest that this list be kept for reference as, frequently, in the past, much time has been lost, more particularly in Ontario, through application being made to the Council Secretary instead of the Provincial Secretary.

We now have the following sets of slides in circulation: National and Overseas; British Guiana; Japan and Korea; Manchuria and China; Formosa; Across India and the Gwalior Field; and Thirty Years in Bhil Land. A lecturette is provided with each set of slides. This is but an aid. It is intended that those showing the slides supplement the lecturette with information from our publications which are rich in material, and are worthy of being kept on file.

It will greatly facilitate the work of the Secretaries, if those who use the slides return them promptly. If that is not done the Secretary is unable to send them to others on the date promised. In order that these sets might be within reach of all, they are provided free of cost, except transportation both ways, and the cost of replacement should any breakage occur. The slides are more valuable in helping to visualize the work of our Church if a study is first made of the field.

The Secretaries receive many testimonials of their value in deepening interest in our missions through a better understanding of the work being done. The different organizations of our Churches are urged to make still greater use of these pictures.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

THE cadences of the stately Easter music are fading in the distance but there is much in the new literature to help us take the inspiration and assurance of new hope, that this season of the year brings with it, into the work of the future.

Provincial meetings also have been held, and the writer sincerely hopes that each representative took home with her as many helps and ideas as it was possible to glean from the tables displayed.

Programmes are uplifting and productive of new ideas, and we go away resolving to do big things, but sometimes we fall by the way, but in the printed word there is always the reminder at our side, in our daily reading, that we have within our reach, fountains of inspiration, full and overflowing. To be constant in the reading of good literature pertaining to our work, ideals, and problems, is not only going to make us better informed, but will give us peace and spiritual comfort, in the undertaking of our share of the Master's work.

Again we urge the turning into the Auxiliary of study books and other publications when you are through with them, a complete file of *Glad Tidings,* so that all other organizations in the church may easily obtain information on our work for their missionary programmes. It is encouraging to see that a number of Auxiliaries have developed this library idea, but we shall persist in the hope that it may be done in 100 per cent. of our churches.

MOTHERS' DAY TREASURY: Recitations, dialogues, exercises, etc., for Mothers' Day. Seasonable and interesting. Price 35c. per copy.

MOTHERS OF MEN. A Mothers' Day Service in song and story with music as well as words in the songs. Price 25c. each.

THE BEAUTIFUL LIFE by Lucy W. Peabody is one of those exquisite booklets that leaves one thrilled with the eagerness to put aside all mundane cares, and reach up toward the higher consciousness of God's presence. Interestingly written, and beautifully printed this little brochure sells for 35c. each.

DAILY BREAD FOR DAILY NEEDS is a booklet of readings covering thirty-one days, and the passages are selected from the letters of Paul. They are translated by Helen Barrett Montgomery. Price 35c.

SHINING ALL THE YEAR by Helen Barrett Montgomery contains eight pages covering the idea of our light shining. The shining face, the shining feet, the shining garment, and all shining in the sun, are some of the thoughts brought out. Price 30c. each.

HEAVEN, the title of a card of mauve in a lovely white cover card on which is printed, on one side, those verses regarding Heaven "Let not your heart be troubled . . . there ye may be also." On the opposite page is an extremely beautiful poem on Heaven. This card would make a lovely gift to send to far friends or those who have been recently through the vale of sorrow. Price 15c. each.

Missionary Songs

LIGHT BEARERS' SONG is a full size sheet of music arranged for children's Mission Bands. Per copy 15c.

HO! REAPERS! THE MASTER CALLETH is a duet set to music in three flats, and is very appropriate for solos to be sung at Auxiliary meetings. Price per copy 25c.

SOME SONGS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE is a song booklet giving songs suitable for singsongs with a missionary spirit, and set to the familiar tunes of the day. 4c. each, or $3.50 per hundred.

MISSIONARY SONGS for Juniors have words and music of some appropriate juvenile hymns for the Mission Band. Price each 15c.

SONGS AND CHEERS FOR KING'S HERALDS are song sheets for Mission Bands giving bright merry songs and cheers. 5c. per sheet.

Set of Missionary Country Songs contains five songs set to music, one each on China, Japan, India, Africa and a Prayer. These are very nice for pageants and programmes. Per set 10c.

LIGHTBEARERS is a Mission Band song giving words and music. Price 3c. each.

THREE AND THIRTY MISSIONARY GAMES is a very nice little book of simple games which should add to the zest of a Mission Band meeting. 10c. per copy.

New SENTENCE PRAYERS have arrived, at 2c. per leaflet.

Names of our missionaries for prayer purposes are listed on a new free leaflet. Write for one for your Auxiliary.

Any of the above may be obtained from your Literature Secretary, or from Mrs. L. Ballantyne, Room 700, 372 Bay St., Toronto.

Prayer

OUR Heavenly Father, we, a little band of workers, come before Thee, earnestly desirous of taking a part in the spread of Thy glorious gospel, at home, and abroad unto regions beyond. Do Thou give us grace at this time to come to Thee in a spirit of reverence and true humility, knowing that without Thee we can do nothing. Strengthen our spiritual sight, O Lord, that we may be able to discern all things in the light of Thy gospel, that the effulgence of Thy glory may be shed abroad in our hearts until no worldly darkness may be found therein. Help and protect our missionaries, stablish Thou the work of their hands, we pray, and prosper all they undertake for Thee. Bless the hospitals, homes, schools, and mission stations, which our Women's Missionary Society is supporting, that all those helped and uplifted thereby, may be brought into Thy Kingdom, that they, and we, may be so guided and governed by Thee, that we may become as precious stones in that ''Building not made with hands eternal in the heavens,'' looking for the glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever. Amen.

The Parable of the Neglected Missionary Tree

THERE was once a mother who had a tree. It stood in a sunny bay window; its leaves of service were broad and fair; its flowers of inspiration white and waxy; like the magnolia it filled all the house with fragrance and sweetened the air of the neighborhood. Its golden fruit of love was food for the hungry and healing for the sick, and, in far-off lands they longed for its coming. The tree grew and thrived as she worked the earth with the trowel of knowledge, and watered it with prayer and enriched it with her gifts. To her it stood for missionary service.

Then one day this mother was suddenly taken seriously ill. She had to go away for treatment and rest. As she was leaving, her daughter said, ''Now mother, you won't need to worry about anything. I'll look after everything and you must just get well as fast as you can.''

It was a whole year before the mother returned. As she made the tour of the house that every house-wife makes after an absence, she missed her tree.

Her daughter said, ''Oh, it's in the kitchen, it's dying, if it isn't dead. I would have thrown it out weeks ago, only I knew how much you loved it.''

And there it was, withered, its leaves faded and falling; no fragrant blooms or golden fruit upon its branches.

When the mother saw its condition, she said, ''Oh, my daughter, how could you? Don't you know that thousands of needy women and children look to that tree for their only help?'' Then she drew her daughter down beside her and told her of the factory life of Chinese children and of the Japanese girls living in temple bondage, of poor slave women in Africa, and of the sad little Hindu widows, and as she spoke her daughter wept.

Then the daughter rose and stood before her mother like a righteous young judge and she said, ''Oh, mother, I have failed them all—all those who waited in vain for the golden fruit. But I didn't know how to care for the tree. You had provided me with no trowel of knowledge. Never had you taught me to water the tree with my prayers, or to spare gifts for its enrichment. I failed all those needy ones, but, mother,'' and her voice was very stern, ''You failed them, and you failed me too. Oh! how could you?''

The mother gave a great cry, then she awoke and found the moonlight lying across the bed and the fragrance from the white flowers of the missionary tree all about her. She said, ''It is a message—my dream.'' Then she arose and knelt beside her bed and this was her prayer.

''Father in heaven, forgive me that the daughters of my home and of my Church are all untaught in the care of the missionary tree. Forgive me that I failed them, and wilt Thou, Who can'st make up all our deficiencies, provide me with every thing needful to undertake their training, so that the hungry may be fed, and the sick healed with the golden fruit of many trees. Amen.''—*Contributed.*

How the Faithful Kept Tryst

MRS. ANNA ROSS, STRASBOURG, SASK.

THERE were four of us at the March meeting. This is how we gathered. *Number One* came to the rendezvous on one bob of the bob-sleigh, drawn over two and a half miles of roads fit for neither wheels nor runners. *Number Two* was dragged a mile over a muddy field on a stone boat, her grandson trudging patiently through the mud at her side, driving the horse. Both now arrived at the home of *Number Three.* Her son was ready with a big bob-sleigh and two horses, three chairs having been set along the side of the sleigh, covered with a cow-skin. Thus the three were drawn to the home of *Number Four,* where the meeting was held. *Number Five* was unavoidably detained at home, and *Number Six* was one hundred and forty miles away.

There are many difficulties to be overcome in order to attend these little meetings, but, it is written, "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon His name." One look at that great "book of remembrance" will make great difficulties seem small, and small meetings great. But at these little meetings, surely, let us pray to Him who is so near, and who is "hearkening and hearing" all that is said, and keeping the minutes Himself.

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

SUGGESTIONS FOR BIBLE READINGS ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Theme—Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me. 1:8.

1. Power Promised Acts I

1. Promise of the Father. vs. 4, 5, 8. John 14:16-26.

Before the crucifixion Jesus, assembled with his disciples, told them that he was going away, but promised to send, from the Father, a Comforter, the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Truth, to dwell with them, to testify of Him, to be in them, to be teacher and guide, to bring to their remembrance what He had said to them, and to show them things to come. He was to be to them all Jesus Himself had been.

Before the ascension from Mount Olivet, Jesus, assembled with His disciples, commissioned them to be witnesses unto Him unto the uttermost part of the earth and promised them power from the Holy Ghost to do this.

2. Conditions upon which the promise can be fulfilled:

Faith—John 14:10-12.
Obedience—John 14:23; 15:12.
  Cleansed by His Word—John 15:3.
  Abiding in His Word—John 15:7.
  Obedient to His Word—John 15:10-12.

Therefore, we must know the Word.

3. Promised results. Subjective—Peace, John 14:27; Love, John 15:12; Rom. 5:5; Joy, John 16:22. Objective—Answered Prayer, John 16:23, 24; Bearing Witness, John 15:27; Acts 1:8. The promise of the power as well as the commission to witness is for the twentieth century as well as the first.

" 'He shall be *in* you.' 'In' describes the abiding presence of the spirit in the believer's body, 1 Cor. 6:19, to give victory over the flesh, Gal. 5:16, 17, to help infirmities, Rom. 8:26, to inspire prayer, Eph. 6:18, to give conscious access to God, Eph. 2:18, to create Christian character, Gal. 5:22, 23 and to reveal Christ, John 16:14."—Schofield.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

At the Court of Friendship

ISABEL HILL

Enter Canadian Girl.

"Father, Mother and Me,
Sister and Auntie say
All the people like us are We
And everyone else is They.
And They live over the sea,
While We live over the Way,
But—would you believe it—They
look upon We
As only a sort of They.

"All good people agree
And all good people say
All nice people like Us, are We
And everyone else is They.
But if you cross over the sea,
Instead of over the way,
You may end by (think of it)
looking on We
As only a sort of They."
—*Kipling.*

TO-NIGHT we are sitting here in a Court of Friendship, girls of Canada all, and yet perhaps we represent many nations of the world. Here are girls from England, Scotland and Ireland, girls in whose veins flow the blood of old France, of Italy, of Czecho-Slovakia perhaps, and the Ukraine. There may be girls from Norway, Sweden, Holland, and the United States, but we are all here together, girls of Christian countries, and of the white race. But there are to be other visitors to our Court to-night, some of another color, some of different religions, and perhaps some whom we may not have thought of as belonging to our Court of Friendship. All will have something to give that will make our friendship richer and fuller, and to them we must extend glad welcome.

Enter Jewish Girl.

O Christian girls, in friendship and love assembled, is there a place for a Jewish girl here? You have been talking of friendship and love and peace to-night, and so I come seeking a place at your Court. We have been an outcast people for many centuries, but remember it was the ancient Hebrews who gave the world the conception of a just and holy and sovereign God. Moses, the Great Lawgiver, was a Jew, and his teachings and precepts are still the basis of laws and government all over the civilized world. Christianity itself was born in the hills of Palestine. Why then can the Jew not be admitted to friendship? Our beloved Palestine is open to us once more, and we are returning to it. Once more the Syrian hills will echo back the songs of David, and the home of the prophets and the lawgiver will rise again to its ancient glory.

I give you to-night a song of Miriam, my ancestress, sung as her people made their weary way across the desert from slavery to freedom. Listen to the song of a people led by God to their Land of Promise:—

> ''Sound the loud timbrel o'er Egypt's dark sea!
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> . . . .
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> Jehovah has triumphed,—His people are free!''
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> —*Thomas Moore.*

Enter Japanese Girl.

Is there a place for a Japanese girl at the Court of Friendship? We Japanese bring the tradition of courtesy and politeness and great love for country. We bring too, much of the silk that fashions the beautiful clothing for women everywhere. There has come an ambassadress of friendliness and love to Japanese girls working in factories and shops on the fashioning of this silk—a Canadian lady, Dr. Caroline Macdonald, who is teaching us many things we want to know, and who has become so much one of us that she was invited to go to the International Labor Conference in Geneva as interpreter to the Labor Delegate. She has told the different people of the world how we Japanese live and work, and when she comes back to us she will tell us about the better way to work and to live. She tells us too of the Jesus Whom she serves and worships, Who is the Friend of all the races of the world, and Who teaches the things of love and joy and peace, and this makes us bold to take our place in the Court of Friendship.

Enter Chinese Girl.

I would join my Japanese sister at this court. We of the East would link hands with the West, adding our gifts to yours till the wealth of the world is gathered together for all to share. In my hand I bring the wisdom of Confucius whose principles have guided China for so many years. My country is in the midst of turmoil and struggle now, and it is hard for the rest of the world to see her aright, but there is a great heart in China that is struggling to beat in unison with the other nations. Slowly from the sleep of centuries we are wakening to our place in modern life and while, in this awakening, we would contribute to those who seek our friendship, our respect for the aged and the traditions which have proved valuable in the past, we would in turn ask to know more about the teachings of Christ.

Enter Girl of India.

My country, India, wants a place in the Court of Friendship. India is asking for the right of self-determination to-day, but there are so many of us, such differences of caste, such religious confusion, that even our dream of India, self-governed and strong, is a dream interpreted in countless ways. I am a Hindu, a follower of the ancient faith which teaches that all is one, that through countless births and rebirths we will eventually get back to the Great Impersonal Spirit. Our legends are very wonderful and are deeply enshrined in the heart of India. But there is another Figure gaining a place in our Indian thought, and this is the Figure of Jesus. We can see much that is wrong, and unlovely and unfriendly in the Christian nations of the world, but Jesus Himself is getting a grip on the heart of India to-day, and we are beginning to learn that it will be only when the ideals and teachings of Jesus are followed that peace and good will can come to the earth to stay.

Enter North American Indian.

I am an Indian, a daughter of the race who peopled Canada long before the white man dreamed of this continent. My people have stored up lore of ancient days, of brave, clean manhood and a womanhood that was pure and sacred. Know you the legend of the Sisters who on the mountain height keep watch and ward over the Canadian City of Vancouver? White men term these Sisters the Lions' Gateway, but we Indians know them to be two beautiful sisters who are set there by the Sagalie Tyee to ensure permanent peace and good will. This is their story.

(She tells first legend in Pauline Johnson's Legends of Vancouver.)

Enter Germany.

And I am Germany. Grant me a place in your Court of Friendship. There was a Germany who dreamed of world conquest and world glory, won by the sword and the mailed fist, but I ask you to think past that Germany back to the older and truer Germany who told fairy tales, made toys for little children, and gave to the world some of its most loved music. Listen to a song of Germany, which tells of the birth of Him Who came to bring peace to the earth, goodwill to men.

(She sings ''Holy Night'')

Canadian Girl Speaks:

I am a girl of Canada, and I come to tell you the message of the carillon that rings from the Peace Tower in Ottawa. I stood on Parliament Hill and the bells spoke to me their message to Canada and to those who flock to her shores. Tinklingly clear they floated, in the sweetness of an ancient folk song that sang a welcome perchance to some lone stranger. Thrilling and glad they pealed out a strain of hope for the weary and discouraged, then grand and solemn their deep tones summoned all to put on strength and dignity as a garment. As the unseen musician passed from theme to theme, there came the consciousness that this was a symbol of Canada and her relation to the nations. The beautiful home of the bells, that wondrous shaft of stone, is the Tower of Peace—the dwelling place of Peace, bought and consecrated by the sons of Canada. And so these bells have their abiding place in Peace, and round about the largest of all are the blessed words which the angels sang in triumph at the birth of the

Prince of Peace, ''Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth Peace and Good Will toward men.''

(Girls all stand and sing, to the tune of The Church's One Foundation)

To-night the Court of Friendship has come to do its part,
To show you that all nations are ruléd from the heart,
Just to increase your learning is not our purpose here
But rather to inform you of what we hold most dear.

We've formed this Court of Friendship with all our hearts' good will,
To learn the best of all the world, and help to cure the ill;
And so in love shall all abide and hasten on that day
When peace and joy upon the earth forever shall hold sway.

Note: This dramatization was prepared by Miss Isabel Hill, of Ottawa, for her group and given at the Ottawa Girls' Council.

MISSION BANDS

Our Little Folk and Their Activities

Mrs. J. W. Dill

IN reading our Provincial Secretaries' reports, we get a vision of brightness and happiness. The names, chosen by the children themselves for their Bands, such as— Bluebirds, Busy Bees, Sunbeams, Shining Stars, Wild Rose, Light Bearers, Standfast, Golden Sheaf, Rainbow and many others, accentuate that brightness. Many are named after our veteran missionaries and one Senior Band has chosen a most appropriate title ''Jesus Christ ever our Guide''. Have the Bands lived up to the names chosen? We gather from the reports, that they certainly have. No Band has had less than two meetings each month, and the attendance varies from 24 to 42 during the year. One Band has a membership of 58, average attendance of 42, and had 68 work meetings during the year. This Band is divided into two classes. The Monday Band for out-of-town boys and girls meets each week at 12.15 noon, the other class every Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Then as to membership. One Band increased from 28 to 85, another from 12 to over 100 last year. One banner rural Band doubled its membership and more than trebled its givings, an example to us all. Some Bands meet at the close of the day school session, and some on Saturday at different homes. Ladies take their cars and gather up the children for the meetings. One mother never fails bringing her own little folks to their meeting. All honor to such mothers! We rejoice over the interest in the study books, Bible and missionary stories.

The Leader of one rural Band writes, ''We are starting scrapbooks on Miss Ross at Fort McMurray, and Dr. Goforth, of Manchuria.

Interesting items are used from the *Glad Tidings* and *The Presbyterian Record.* We also make different kinds of scrap-books. Prizes were given for the best two home scrap-books, with a code or set of rules to help us to do our part in making home the happiest place. There were prizes given too, for the two best Church scrap-books.'' These few instances, culled from many reported, are a wonderful record of missionary training.

As for the activities of our Bands. We rejoice in the knowledge that the work of their busy fingers is sent not only to our hospitals, school homes, to the children in our missions and to the newcomers to Canada, but to India, China, Japan, Formosa and British Guiana. This demonstrates in such a practical way their willing service ''For Others''. We have no fear for the future of our W.M.S. with such devoted leaders and enthusiastic little folks praying, studying, working and giving for the sake of Jesus their Guide. We know that He ''hears them always when they pray''. May we as members of our loved Society be ever faithful to our dear young people.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

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Annual Meeting

IN the shadow of a gallery of distinguished missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, the 16th annual meeting met in Grace Church, Calgary, on the 18th and 19th of February. The President, Mrs. F. W. Allott, of Calgary, presided at all sessions.

Steady progress was reported in all departments. The Treasurer, Mrs. George Peattie, of Olds, reported that $6,050 had been contributed during the year and $5,500 had been forwarded to Toronto, which was $500 over our allocation. The Mission Bands showed an increase of 69 members and three Bands, making a total of 28 Mission Bands, with a membership of 546, and contributions amounting to $608.

The dedicatory prayer was offered by Mrs. J. H. Jamison, Calgary. Gracious words of welcome were extended to the delegates by Mrs. R. S. Gibson, President of Calgary Presbyterial, and a telegram of greetings was received from the Saskatchewan Provincial.

The evening session was in charge of the young people, an interesting pageant and three-act play was presented by the dramatic circle of the C.G.I.T. Groups of Grace Church, Calgary.

The Y.W.A. and C.G.I.T. Secretary reported 7 Y.W. Societies, with a membership of 144, also 25 Home Helpers, with a total contribution of $415. There are also 17 Girls and C.G.I.T. organizations, with total contributions of $51.51.

The Home Helpers Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Wilson, Edmonton, reported 410 Home Helpers with a total contribution of $733.17.

The Exchange Secretary reported 23 papers for circulation. All allocations had been cheerfully met, was the report of Mrs. L. F. Harrop, Supply Secretary, with a total expenditure of $603.30. The Library Secretary, Mrs. J. C. McTavish, reported that 556 pounds of literature had been sent out, also a box containing 100 books to Rev. E. A. Wright, Grand Prairie. The Welcome and Welfare Secretary, Mrs. Walker, Calgary, stated that 1,036 new settlers were welcomed in Alberta last year, 206 visits paid and 487 letters written.

To make five interesting, delightful, enlightening and inspirational addresses was the lot of Miss Bessie MacMurchy, International and Corresponding Secretary and special representative from the Council Executive . She dealt with every department of our work, hospitals and school homes at home and abroad, giving especially of her rich experience during her recent trip to the Orient. She also brought a fund of information concerning our organization, and was ever ready to explain difficult points during discussions.

Other fine addresses were given by Mrs. A. Robertson, Superintendent of the School Homes, Vegreville; Mrs. Allott, our President; and Mrs. Harback, Vulcan. A letter was read from Mrs. D. G. McQueen, from California.

Changes in officers are: Treasurer—Mrs. J. A. Clark, Calgary; Y.W. and C.G.I.T.—Mrs. James Adam, Edmonton; Mission Band—Miss C. Acheson, Three Hills; Literature—Mrs. Harback, Vulcan; Life Membership—Mrs. J. McNeil, Calgary; Student—Miss Helen McQueen, Edmonton.

Mrs. T. Revie, Red Deer, reported 19 Life Memberships, 3 Honorary Members and 38 Junior Members of which 10 are from Olds and 9 from the Vegreville School Homes.

The installation of the officers was conducted with a very impressive ceremony by Rev. J. McNeil, of Grace Church, Calgary.

At a banquet held Wednesday evening greetings were brought from the Synod and clergymen of the city.

There was excellent attendance at all meetings.

The World Day of Prayer was generally observed throughout the Province.

Mrs. A. Robertson, Vegreville, writes, ''The World Day of Prayer was observed in Vegreville this year. The meeting was held in the United Church, the Presbyterians having charge, with Miss McKee in the chair. Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, Edmonton, Presbyterial President, gave the address.

In February, there was a congregational social at the Boys' Home. Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, Mrs. R. McRae, and Mrs. J. C. McTavish, Edmonton, were visitors at the Vegreville School Homes and Hospital.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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UNDER the auspices of the Provincial W.M.S. a reception was given in Fairview Church, Vancouver, on the evening of March 7th, for Dr. Caroline Macdonald, of Tokio, Japan. The large audience was much interested in the splendid address given by Dr. Macdonald on her work among the prisoners and girls in industry in Japan. Our W.M.S. shares in this great work by making a yearly grant. At the close of the address, Dr. Esler, Moderator of Synod, moved a vote of thanks, seconded by Dr. McBeth. While refreshments were served many took the opportunity to say farewell to Dr. Macdonald who sailed the following day to take up her work again in that land in which she has rendered such valuable service.

The World Day of Prayer was observed in four centres in Vancouver. All services were well attended by the members of the Presbyterian W.M.S. In Penticton, the service was held in St. Andrew's Church, all denominations assisting. Creston reports a joint service of Presbyterian and United Churches. Addresses were given by Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Boyd. Much inspiration was received at all the meetings held in different parts of the Province.

Buchanan Church, Vancouver, celebrated its first anniversary on Sunday, March 2nd, with a congregational meeting on March 4th. Addresses were given by Rev. Thos. Wilson, Moderator, and Mr. G. W. Ledingham. A birthday cake, bearing one candle, was cut by Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, President of the Provincial W.M.S.

At the March meeting of the Mount Pleasant Auxiliary, Vancouver, an interesting talk was given by Miss Tassels, a zenana worker near Calcutta, and Mrs. Gourlay gave a report of the Provincial meetings in Victoria.

In Fairview Church Hall, Vancouver, on March 12th, Miss Pelton, Field Secretary, gave the last of her four addresses to young people, showing them the importance of mission work. A number of the older people took the opportunity to hear these thoughtful and instructive talks.

Mrs. J. F. McLean, deaconess at large, spent some time in Nanaimo and Port Alberni on Vancouver Island, before going to Prince Rupert, where she expects to remain three months.

Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goforth, of China, arrived in Vancouver, April 4th. Arrangements were made to have Mrs. Goforth address a mass meeting of women on the afternoon of April 6th.

The Mission Band of St. Aidan's Church, New Westminster, spent a very enjoyable evening on March 5th, when a birthday party was given them by the W.M.S. This was to celebrate the first anniversary of their organization.

The ''Standfast'' boys of Creston report good attendance at their meetings. Every meeting, social and study is presided over by their devoted leader, Mrs. Dow.

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Annual Meeting

THE sixteenth annual meeting was held in First Presbyterian Church, Winnipeg, March 5th and 6th. The President, Mrs. Hutchison, was in the chair. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Flook, Mrs. Niven, and Mrs. Laurie, of Winnipeg Presbyterial. The President, in her address, reviewed the work of the year. She felt that the Society had made good progress and urged still greater service, not only overseas but also in the home fields. There are many problems to be faced in the west, and she hoped the young people would respond.

Mrs. J. A. McInnis, Corresponding Secretary, reported that the three Presbyterials, comprised 36 Auxiliaries; 2 Associate Societies; 6 Young Women's Auxiliaries; 32 Mission Bands; 24 C.G.I.T. Groups; 357 Home Helpers; total membership of 2,372. The Treasurer, Mrs. McGee, reported $6,492.92, being $1,492.92 over the allocation. Each of the Presbyterials had exceeded the allocation which all felt very encouraging.

Wednesday afternoon Miss MacMurchy addressed the meeting, giving an outline of her trip to India. She spoke very highly of our pioneer missionaries there, Dr. Wilkie and Dr. Buchanan. Even the Princes came to them for advice and when their names are spoken of in foreign lands they will bring honor to Canada, and to our Church. Miss MacMurchy also spoke of the leper work in Formosa under Dr. Gushue-Taylor. This we should help, as it is connected with our Mackay Memorial Hospital. Leper work is helped by the Japanese Government. The work in China was also touched on. Miss MacMurchy closed by giving a motto for the year, ''Revive Thy work, oh Lord, beginning in me.''

Wonderful letters were read from Miss Olive Ross, Fort McMurray, and Mrs. John Wilkie, and at the supper hour Mrs. Flook gave the address of welcome and Mrs. John Gray, of Brandon, responded. A conference followed. In the evening, Principal E. W.Byers, of the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' Indian School told of his work among the Indians of the Lake of the Woods district. Speaking of the children he said they compared favorably with other Canadian children in honesty and morals. Greetings were brought from Synod and the service was closed by Rev. N. A. MacEachern.

Thursday morning devotions were in charge of Mrs. Yuill and Miss Campbell, of Brandon Presbyterial. Departmental reports followed. The afternoon session was led by Superior Presbyterial. Mrs. Ballantyne, Fort William, gave an inspiring address on ''Stewardship.'' This was followed by prayer by Mrs. Moore, Fort Francis. The Mission Band exercises were interesting. St. James Band sang Prayer Thoughts and Calvin Band sang missionary hymns. Mrs. White, Mission Band Secretary, spoke of the work done in hospitals and schools for our new Canadians. Miss Jean Stevenson reported on the C.G.I.T. and Y.W. Auxiliaries. During the year 2 new Mission Bands were organized, one in Selkirk, the other in Morden; also 4 new C.G.I.T. Groups. The Life Membership Secretary reported 29 Life Members, 2 In Memoriam Subscriptions, 27 Junior Members, I Honorary Certificate.

A resolution deeply regretting the loss our Church has sustained in the passing away of our Moderator, was presented.

Mrs. Hutchison, the President, retired and Mrs. Robson was elected.

There were about one hundred delegates present.

Miss MacMurchy gave the closing words, basing her message on James 5:16. The meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. Wilson, Fort William. All who were present felt this to be the best meeting they had attended. Not only had it been a spiritual feast, but the delegates felt they all had so much to carry home to the Societies they represented.

Changes in officers: President, Mrs. H. A. Robson; Secretaries—Rec., Mrs. Geo. Leckie; Corr., Mrs. R. F. Rorke; Mission Band, Mrs. H. White; Home Helpers, Mrs. J. C. McCallum; W. & W., Mrs. H. Lochart; Life Membership, Mrs. G. H. Laurie; Students, Mrs. Isabel Hunt.

Superior P.S. met in St. Andrew's Church, Fort William, March 18th, with a large attendance. Mrs. Delbridge, President, presided. Reports of delegates to the Provincial meeting in Winnipeg were given. Mrs. Delbridge told of the Board meetings. Mrs. Ballantyne's interesting report was a story of progress. Mrs. Wilson gave a splendid summary of the work of the different departments, and Miss Jean Stevenson reported on the Y.W.A. A tribute was paid to the late Miss Jane Livingstone, one of our pióneer women, whose father, the late John Livingstone, was the first elder in St. Andrew's Church, Fort William.

ONTARIO

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TORONTO P.S.—The afternoon Auxiliary of Glenview Church held a Thank-offering meeting on April 2nd, with a large attendance and generous response. Two Life Memberships were presented. The President, Mrs. J. Williams, presided, and Mrs. J. Wilson, Presbyterial

Welcome and Welfare Secretary, gave an address, showing many interesting phases of her work among newcomers.

Barrie P.S.—Gravenhurst Auxiliary deeply regrets the passing of a beloved member, Mrs. John McKenzie, whose life and work were an inspiration to the W.M.S., and to the Presbyterian Church.

Collingwood Auxiliary held an interesting Easter meeting, when Mrs. C. W. Maitland gave a talk on her work among the Bhils in India. After spending two years in this field, Mrs. Maitland was able to relate many interesting events, and her address was much appreciated. The Bible lesson was given by Mrs. D. A. Kelly.

Toronto P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering of Glenview Evening Auxiliary took the form of a memorial service for Miss Janet Haig.

The Late Miss Janet Haig

The passing away, on March 29th, of Miss Janet Haig, of 20 Farnham Ave., Toronto, removes a much loved member of the W.M.S. Miss Haig's life held many interests, musical, cultural and philanthropic, but in the missionary work of the Presbyterian Church she found her chief delight. She was Secretary of the Young Women's Department of the Toronto Presbyterial W.M.S., Treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary of Evangel Hall, President of Glenview Evening Auxiliary W.M.S., and formerly Assistant Secretary of the "Gwalior Journal" and a member of Glenview Presbyterian Church. Miss Haig's time and abilities were consecrated to service, and she has left with all who knew her the inspiration of a beautiful Christian life.

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A CONFERENCE of Presidents of city Auxiliaries was held in Knox-Crescent Church, Montreal, on March 27th. Mrs. A. W. Lamb, President of Montreal Presbyterial, presided. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. W. S. Louson, a Vice-President. Mrs. Lamb, in her opening remarks, expressed great pleasure at the large number present. "Great benefit had been derived," she said, "from the conference held at the Presbyterial annual meeting, and it was hoped that this conference also would be very helpful."

The programme was presented in four parts, by Vice-Presidents of the Presbyterial, who, by dealing briefly with one phase of an Auxiliary meeting's activities, stimulated conference and discussion. Mrs. Arthur W. Pae took as her subject, "'Preparation for the Auxiliary Meeting"; Mrs. J. W. Dougherty spoke on "Procedure and Devotional Exercises"; Mrs. W. E. Baker on "Finances"; and Mrs. Henry Aitken on "Interesting our Membership in our Missionaries.'' An interesting discussion followed on the matters referred to in the addresses, and on others connected with the work of the Auxiliaries.

SASKATCHEWAN

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Annual Meeting

THE sixteenth annual meeting was held February 25th and 26th in First Presbyterian Church, Regina. The morning was taken up by a Board of Management conference and the registration of delegates. During the luncheon, at which the executive of the Presbyterial and Auxiliaries were hostesses, Mrs. J. A. Sinclair gave the words of welcome, and Mrs W. R. McLeod, Prince Albert, replied. Miss MacMurchy, Toronto, added some very pleasant and complimentary remarks. Mrs. Walter Martin also gave a very interesting talk on Chinese Work in Saskatchewan and the Pacific Coast.

The regular meeting opened at two o'clock, Mrs. H. R. Horne, President, presiding. The different Presbyterials took charge of the devotional exercises at the various sessions. The reports of the activities of the year, given by the different departmental Secretaries, showed marked progress. There are in this Provincial, 3 Presbyterials with 33 Auxiliaries, having a membership of 465. The Treasurer reported an increase over the allocation.

At the evening session, Rev. S. Farley presided in the absence of Rev. W. A. Cameron, Moderator of Synod, and presented the greetings of the Synod. Greetings from Alberta and British Columbia were also read during the sessions. Miss MacMurchy brought greetings from the Council Executive.

Miss MacMurchy, of Toronto, was the special speaker, taking as her subject ''Mission Fields in India''. She stated ''the caste mark of Christianity was the happiness in the faces of the natives who had been taught,'' further remarking that the solution of many of the nation's troubles lies in Christianity. Rev. H. R. Horne gave a most interesting address on ''Growth of the Church in the Province since 1925.'' He left with the meeting these words, ''Oh Lord revive Thy Church, beginning with me.''

Wednesday morning reports were continued. Miss MacMurchy led the discussion of reports. We were pleased to have with us Mrs. Ogilvie of Briercrest, one of our Honorary Presidents, who for nearly fifty years has carried on work in the W.M.S., also Mrs. W. J. Stuart, Heward, the first Honorary member in Saskatchewan. Our Field Secretary, Miss Pelton, received many kind words of appreciation of her excellent work from the different Secretaries.

Wednesday afternoon the election took place and, with one exception, the officers remained as last year. The third Vice-president, Mrs. Honeyman, of Maple Creek, declined the office as she is leaving the Province. We regret her departure. The installation prayer was given by Miss MacMurchy. Miss Macarthur, port worker at Quebec, gave the closing words which were very fitting and impressive, followed by prayer by Mrs. H. R. Horne.

The invitation of Moose Jaw Presbyterial to hold the next annual meeting in Moose Jaw was accepted.

Regina P.S.—The W.M.S. of Knox Church, Whitewood, observed the World Day of Prayer at the manse, Mrs. Lougheed, President, conducting the service. The offering was sent to the Secretary of the Southern Saskatchewan Bible Society, Regina.

Following the observance of the World Day of Prayer at Arlington Beach, Miss Cunningham reported the Provincial W.M.S. meeting.

Mrs. Anna Ross, Strasbourg, who is now in her eighty-second year, took charge of the World Day of Prayer meeting which was held at the home of Mrs. John McKenzie. Every member present took part in the programme.

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S.—At the regular meeting of the Parkview W.M.S., Mrs. Stipes, delegate to the Provincial annual meeting, took charge of the programme. Mrs. Stipes' message was one of encouragement and faith as to the future of the work of our W.M.S.

The sympathy of the Provincial W.M.S. goes out to Mrs. G. D. Ralston, Corresponding Secretary, in the death of her mother, Mrs. R. McMillan, of London, Ontario.

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Editorial

THE 125th year of the British and Foreign Bible Society has been marked by three outstanding characteristics. It has had the largest output in any year in its history, 11,399,540 volumes having been issued during the year 1928-29, and its income of $2,088,200 has been a record sum. Translations published or circulated by the Society totalled 618, including 146 complete Bibles, 150 complete New Testaments and 322 integral portions of the Bible.

The number of countries ministered to by the Society is amazing, also the wide scope of its activities and the increasing interest shown in it not only by Church people, but by Governments. Especially is this the case in Africa, where many in authority realize the power and possibility of the spread of the Word of God. While Russia and Siberia restrict the activities of the Society, in China, 5,000,000 copies of the Word of God were distributed in eleven months.

It is further stated in the report from which we have drawn these statistics, that, ''From the Bible House in London, there is being poured forth in a never ending stream the Book which contains the true teaching about God in human life and never in history have the Scriptures been read so widely as to-day, and never have they been so manifestly studied and never had more power in the lives of men.''

Complete Bibles for the blind are produced in Braille at a cost of about $60, and though each volume of the Society's new English Braille cost $1.25 to $1.75 it is sold at 40c.

The good work of the ''Knight Errants of the Word'' as the colporteurs are aptly called, deserves special mention. ''For the first time in history a colporteur has sold gospels openly in the streets of Ouezzan, the sacred city of French Morocco; work has been carried on in Persia and Italy and in China, in spite of civil war, the colporteurs have persevered in their work and have met with a cheering measure of success. In India the work proceeds and a real beginning has been made in Africa.''

On September 14th, the Canadian Bible Society commemorated its twenty-fifth anniversary. It now has 15 Auxiliaries and 3601 Branches, and the circulation last year in Canada and Newfoundland was 479,371 copies.

On May 12th, at a meeting held in Government House, Toronto, a Women's Auxiliary of the Upper Canada Bible Society was organized, its sole object being ''to encourage the wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment.'' Her Excellency the Viscountess Willingdon, whose interest added much to the impetus for the organization, was designated as Foundress of the Auxiliary, Mrs. W. D. Ross, wife of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, was named as Honorary President, and all former residents of Government House as Honorary Vice-Presidents. Lady Falconer was chosen President.

A PIECE OF NEWS ''calculated to quicken the pulses of every well wisher of the Kingdom of God in China'' has just been made known to us by Dr. Donald MacGillivray of Shanghai.

It seems that the offices and book-shop of the Christian Literature Society for China, with which Dr. MacGillivray has been associated for many years, has been situated in the suburbs about a mile and a quarter from the missionary centre of the Central District on the Yuen-Ming-Yuen and Museum Roads. This wide separation has for years proved a drawback to the work, and although a move was felt desirable, it was impossible, for the property in the central region was a fabulous price, and there was none to be had. Suddenly it was learned that a lot next door to the Mission Building of the China Baptist Publication Society, was for sale, and in a week the Christian Literature Society for China had bought it. The new location is a strategic one for some twenty-eight organizations are in the vicinity. Some of the advantages which will accrue from the present site, are: the practical consolidation of all Christian Publication agencies and of the five missionary libraries, and the closest fellowship with all national Christian bodies will be possible, inevitably all the book-stores will be so near as to seem one, and above all, the Christian Literature Society will now have in the new quarters, a chance to make the greatest contribution to China and the Chinese Church.

When the new building is erected, no more complaints will be heard that the work is being hampered by limited accommodation. There will be ample room for the workers, who may be sent out by other Boards. At present, three Women's Boards provide women for the work, but they need more, and they are asking the Women's Boards of America (through the Committee of the Women's Federated Boards) to join in raising a small sum as the contribution of the women's and children's section of this work.

''From the Hinterland to the Heart of Shanghai'' is in itself a great accomplishment and the friends and well-wishers of Dr. and Mrs. Macgillivray rejoice with them that as they close their long and rich ministry to the men, women and children of China, they have their hearts' desire, and are able to say, ''Great things are happening these days in Shanghai. We are receiving above all we can ask or think.''

Our W.M.S., together with all other Mission Boards, are fully seized with the great importance of the preparation and circulation of Christian Literature the world over, and when the estimates are being drawn up, the whole question will be seriously considered.

MARCH 31ST WAS AN EVENTFUL DATE for Dr. Gushue-Taylor, of Formosa, for on that day the Finance Department of the Government handed him a cheque for the sum of yen 25,739.90, or £2,573. This sum includes yen 25,000.00 as a subsidy towards Happy Mount Leper Colony, and the balance of yen 739.90 towards the expenses of our out-patient leper clinic which is now in operation. The Government do not usually pay out subsidies until the work has been performed, but on account of the delay in getting a site for us, they have made an exception and paid in advance. Now instructions have been given to the Governors of Taihoku, Shinshiku and Taichu Provinces, to look out for a suitable site for this leper colony. Part of the above yen 25,000 may have to be used in purchasing land for a site. Dr. Taylor closes his letter with this sentence, ''You will all wish to thank God with us for His mercy, as this gift came with great good will and cordial expression of sympathetic interest. We crave your prayers for future progress.''

DR. AND MRS. GOFORTH spent eight days with Rev. L. L. Young and our staff at Kobe on their way home, holding special meetings for the Koreans. They had some splendid gatherings and much good was done. Of our veteran missionaries themselves, Mr. Young says, ''Our Church has good reason to be proud that it has such devoted successful workers as Dr. and Mrs. Goforth. I consider them among the most famous missionaries living to-day.''

Mr. Young also voiced the pleasure of the Mission staff in Kobe, over the appointment of Miss Anderson to that field, and assures us that she will find splendid opportunity there for her talents.

DR. AND MRS. JONATHAN GOFORTH, of Manchuria, are in Canada on a short furlough and the joy of homecoming has been theirs in rich measure, for the moment they stepped on Canadian soil they felt the thrill that comes from ''Welcome Home'' and it has kept echoing and echoing. Shortly after their arrival in Toronto, the Council Executive had the pleasure of having Mrs. Goforth come and speak to them of her work. Her first message was one of gratitude for the medal which the W.M.S. had presented to her (in absentia) at the Council in Ottawa. She especially liked the word Pioneer for she said, ''They had always been breaking new ground.'' Speaking of the workers, Mrs. Goforth assured us that had we looked over the whole of China we could not have chosen two women better fitted for the work to which they had been called in Manchuria than Miss Graham and Miss Kok. They were both outstandingly consecrated splendid workers.

THE NURSING HOME FOR LITTLE CHILDREN which is being built in our Bhil Field, India, has aroused great interest among our Mission Band members, and they are most anxious to have some definite share in this work. The Council Executive, therefore, agreed that whatever money the children raise over and above what they gave last year will go to the furnishing of this Home. This plan was started last year and the leaders ask that the Bands be allowed to complete the gift this year.

Instead of giving throughout the year to this object, the Council Mission Band Secretary suggests that the leaders ask each child to save five cents during his or her happy holiday and bring it to the September meeting. How this gift should be received is left to the originality of the leaders. Some have suggested a doll standing beside a little basket into which the children could drop their pennies, or a miniature hospital cot with a mite-box attached. Whatever plan the leaders adopt **be sure that a record is kept of the amount given by the children for the Nursing Home. Send this money in the usual way, through the Presbyterial and Provincial Treasurers, only be sure that the amount of this special offering is clearly indicated, so that we may know how the children have responded to this privilege.**

OUR MEMBERS will learn with regret of the retirement of Miss Jean C. Cummings, S.R.N., of the ''Mackay Memorial'' Hospital, Taihoku, Formosa. Miss Cummings returned to Canada in May and went immediately on to her home in Scotland.

OUR DEEP SYMPATHY goes out to Mrs. D. E. McDonald, of India, who has lost her father, Mr. Moore. He was an elderly gentleman and the call came to him on Good Friday as he sat at worship in his accustomed place in the sanctuary.

Miss Timney, who has just been appointed as a missionary to India, also sorrows over the passing of a loved sister. We entreat God's comfort for these workers so well known to us, and to others unknown, whose hearts are saddened by the passing of dear ones.

UNAFRAID

I have no fear. What is in store for me
Shall find me ready for it, undismayed.
God grant my only cowardice may be
Afraid—to be afraid!

—Everard Jack Appleton

Our Overseas Mission Work

INDIA

THE story of 1929 is one of new developments, steady growth and much building both material and spiritual in our fields in India. With thankfulness we contemplate the newly finished and furnished bungalow on the hill beside the Jobat Hospital, where Miss McConnell is now living, and near which a Training Home for Nurses is soon to be built. A bungalow is also under construction at Barragoon, seven miles from Jhansi where Miss Whatling is camping out during building operations, and which will be in readiness when our new missionaries arrive in the autumn. Misses Moodie and Timney are appointed to Gwalior Mission, and Miss Douglas and Miss Soutar to the Bhil Field where the latter will be matron-nurse in the "M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home." Miss Robson tells us that with the exception of steel girders and corrugated iron roof, every bit of material for the Children's Home is from their own jungle, and the spot where it is expected to rise like a realized dream is now covered with splendid stone for foundation and plinth, heaps of lime and sand, brick and tiles, and the timbers are in the hands of the sawyers. Provision has also been made for the building of a little bungalow at Toran Mall.

One of India's millions

The Summer School had its second successful session in Toran Mall in April and May, and before Miss Robson left, a class of eight happy, clean little Christian children was left in charge of a good teacher, Premi-bai, who has been a student for four years at senior classes.

The work of the Amkhut School goes on with clock-like regularity. The graduating class of 4 boys and 5 girls have gone on to high school at Nasirabad and Khandiva Methodist Episcopal Mission School. A new era has begun in the school history, for Sharti and Ditali, who were baby girls when Miss Robson first went to Amkhut, have returned from Indore Normal School and are our first fully qualified native women teachers. The village schools, opened in 1928, are flourishing, though one was visited by disaster when a tiger attacked and killed the native teacher in charge. In November, 10 young people from the senior school were received into the membership of the Amkhut Church, and on 'mela' Sunday tiny Frances Yvonne Toombs was baptized with 9 wee Bhil babies.

Miss Maxwell describes the two main branches of evangelistic work, the giving of the gospel to non-Christians and the teaching in the Christian community. In Sardi, 4 families are asking for baptism, they include 11 children, 7 of school age, and 8 adults requiring individual instruction. She also did considerable itinerating with her evangelists and Bible women. She finds the Bhils responsive, attractive, friendly and very needy, eager for the gospel message.

Miss Williamson spent a busy year assisting Miss Robson, studying the language and acting as Treasurer.

The beginning of 1929 saw Miss McConnell alone at Jobat Hospital. She writes that she would not have been without that valuable experience, nevertheless welcomed the Indian doctor who preceded Dr. Draper. There were very serious cases of illness in January and February, and some miraculous recoveries. There was great rejoicing over Dr. Draper's appointment for there were many operations awaiting the surgeon and a big increase in the number of patients. They were kept busy welcoming new babies and are trying to educate the mothers to come to the hospital. Miss McConnell was able to engage two Indian graduate nurses as well as having the services of Maina-bai. She looks forward to the time when the Bhil girls may be trained in our new Nurses' Home at Jobat instead of going to Jhansi where there are now three 1928 Amkhut graduates in the Women's Union Hospital.

Miss Whatling reports a successful year, much new work having been opened up and hundreds of villages visited. Opposition seems to melt away, and ungraciousness changes to eager receptiveness as hearts become touched by the power and beauty of the gospel message. The three Bible women did excellent work during the five months camping among the villages. Hundreds of gospel portions were sold, thousands of tracts were distributed, many were interested, and some have definitely laid their lives at the feet of the Master. In Jhansi, Grace-bai and Tizyia-bai carry on faithful work. Miss Whatling made daily visits with them when possible, to the homes that were open to them. Dr. and Mrs. Gushue-Taylor and Miss Senior were much interested in seeing the results of their work in some of the purdah homes during their short stay at our Mission.

District Sunday Schools were well attended, often by parents as well as children and the year was crowned by the organizing of a W.M.S. with Grace-bai as President. This was at first difficult because the women are timid about accepting responsibility, but the first collection was over thirteen rupees, about $3.50, and it was their desire to help to open up some new work among their less fortunate sisters.

Attendance at the ''Helen Macdonald'' School increased from 40 to 76. A staff of five now assists Miss Stringer in the educational work. The girls do all their own cooking, sewing, sweeping and dusting, and as a healthful addition to the curriculum, they are being instructed in games such as badminton and basket-ball, which at first they had to be forced to play, but now thoroughly enjoy.

In the orphanage, the "Jean Stevenson Brown Memorial Home," Grace-bai and her assistants have seven tiny boys under school age, as well as the little girls entrusted to their care, and they are hoping to look after more of these orphaned and unwanted babies until they are old enough to be transferred to the boys' and girls' schools.

There was a good deal of sickness during the year, and Miss Stringer speaks warmly of the valuable assistance of Munki-bai, the resident matron.

Miss Simpson's little dispensary was opened daily from 7 a.m. till noon. The patients, averaging 15 a day, were their own school pupils and servants in the compound, but occasionally there were people from the city, and neighboring villages. The Indians love to take medicine. On her return from the hills she filled the position of Superintendent of the Nurses' Training Home at the "Ackerman Hoyt Memorial Hospital" for 4 months in response to an urgent appeal, and with the consent of our Council Executive. So capably did she perform her varied and arduous duties, and so valuable was the experience gained, that we regretted not being able to accede to the request to extend the time, but the needs of our own mission were too pressing, and now the alleviation of sickness and suffering, combined with the all-important language study are occupying Miss Simpson's time and energies.

Girls of "Helen Macdonald Memorial" School, Jhansi

Letters seldom come from our missionaries without carrying a definite request that we women at home will remember them and the work constantly in our prayers. They are strengthened and upheld by the certainty of our remembrance, and ours is the part to see that the links in this connecting chain are never weakened by forgetfulness or indifference.

FORMOSA

1929 has been marked by distinct progress. A survey of our W.M.S. work is embodied in departmental reports of Girls' School, Women's School, kindergarten schools, nursing department, evangelism, and Formosan W.M.S., and the financial report.

The Girls' School, Tamsui, has an enrolment of 93, 15 of whom are day pupils; 7 come from Taihoku thus having to leave that city at 5.30 a.m. to be in time for school; 12 graduated in March. The faithful and earnest work of the Formosan and Japanese teachers, not only in their teaching capacity, but as a direct influence for good on the life and conduct of their pupils, has been most helpful. During the year there have been four changes on the staff, the new members all having excellent qualifications, three being graduates of the school, 1929. Of the four graduates one attends higher school in Tokyo, one is taking the nurses' course, one has married, two are kindergarten teachers, and two are language teachers for new missionaries. The older girls help in S.S., Christian Endeavor, and other activities of Church and school, seven have united with the Church. On Sunday, pupils and teachers attend worship morning and afternoon in the Church in town, teach in Sunday School or attend Bible classes taught by the resident teachers. In the evening they hold a song service. The Christian Endeavor meeting is held in the afternoon so that both boarders and day pupils can attend. As recreation the school visited several places of interest, and held various entertainments, among these being an afternoon of sports in the autumn. Steady advance has been made and under the wise and efficient guidance of Miss Clazie, the girls are being trained to be courageous witnesses for the faith when they return to their homes.

The Women's School has an enrolment of 28, their ages ranging from 15 to 50, some married, some widows, 3 graduated. Though several of them come from non-Christian homes, they show a keen interest in and willingness to accept the teachings of Christ. Two have joined the Church during the year. One was a woman of the aboriginal tribe of Headhunters, already baptized, who, after finishing her course, returned to work among her own people. The atmosphere of the school is a happy one. The ordinary school duties are performed by the students, extra work being given to those who want to earn part payment of fees. The students help in the S.S. and attend women's meetings in the Church. The resident teacher is faithful and satisfactory, and Miss Burdick is making a successful principal.

The kindergartens connected with four Sunday Schools have seven teachers and have done splendid work with 170 children that attend five days a week, and on Sundays. Most of these come from non-Christian homes thereby enabling the missionaries to make contacts with the people. Since August, an earnest, capable woman has devoted her time to home visiting, and already there is more regular attendance of the children.

Through negotiations with the Government, a Government permit was received for the Shinchiku kindergarten, thus placing the work on a sounder basis. Miss Adams, who has been named the ''Founder'' of Formosan kindergartens, by her initiative and energy, is laying the foundation of the future Formosan Christian Church in training these young children.

The nursing department reports a very happy, successful year. A heavy responsibility rested upon Miss Gauld in the absence of Mrs. Gushue-Taylor and Miss Senior, and great credit is due her for such invaluable service. Six nurses graduated during the year. The staff now consists of 22 nurses, 5 of whom are graduates, all doing excellent work. One of the first graduates of the hospital is the efficient head of the nurses' residence. The nurses now occupy the new wing of their residence.

Children of savage tribes
carrying wood

In October, the long-wished-for license to teach midwifery to the nurses was received from the Japanese Government. This was gratefully acknowledged to that Government by both our Council Executive and the staff in Formosa. The certificate received by a successful nurse in this course, will be a Government one, and as such will give her an equal standing with any Government midwife, besides being a trained nurse. The Formosan doctor devotes ten hours a week to this course in which 4 graduates and 7 pupil nurses are enrolled.

Mrs. G. W. Mackay reports on evangelism. All our work is evangelistic in that the whole aim and purpose of our institutions is to win people to faith in Christ, to build up the Christian Church. In hospitals and schools the gospel is taught and preached regularly, as an essential part of the work. There is also much evangelistic work which is not connected with institutions. Country evangelism is carried on by Bible women, supplemented by short visits of missionaries. There are more requests from pastors and preachers for Bible women than can be supplied. At one preaching place, where one of our Bible women worked for several months, there is a splendid group of Christian young women. Six of these earned, by reciting Scripture, a New Testament, an Old Testament, and their expenses paid to a three-day Bible conference in Tamsui. Two of these wish to become Bible women.

Mrs. Koa has visited 30 Churches during the year, helping the 3 Bible women, holding meetings for women, distributing Christian literature, and promoting the work of the Formosan W.M.S., financially and spiritually. This department has had an encouraging growth as a result of their labors. One of the Bible women, belonging to one of the aboriginal tribes and having taken a special course at the Women's School, is now doing house-to-house visiting among her own tribe, explaining the Christian message, hoping that this will be followed by greater evangelistic work.

The seventh annual meeting of the Formosan W.M.S. was held in November with an attendance of 170, with contributions during the year of yen 700.00. The Bible women reported their work, home visitation, Sunday School, assisting the preacher, teaching the children to read Romanized Chinese, conducting religious services, all showing progress. So the seed-sowing and the in-gathering go quietly on.

W.M.S. needs: 1 music teacher (vocal and piano); 2 evangelistic workers; 1 Girls' School Principal (College training); 1 kindergarten teacher (pending developments); 1 lady doctor.

MANCHURIA CHINA

Manchuria was called ''the greatest missionary opportunity of the present generation'' by a prominent Bishop who visited it. If that were true five years ago, much more is it true now, when the population has grown from three to thirty millions. It is certainly the greatest migratory movement in the world as thousands are still pouring in from the overcrowded provinces of Chihli and Shantung.

As a Church we are most fortunate in the earnest workers who represent our W.M.S. there. Miss Graham's and Miss Kok's great desire is to open up new work where Jesus Christ has not been preached. Miss Graham wrote, ''I just could not rest, I had to make an effort to go to the unevangelized cities near here.'' Leaving the two Chinese men evangelists to carry on in Tungliao, taking her Bible woman and a newly converted Buddhist, a good supply of scripture portions and over 10,000 tracts, she started out. The first stopping place was a city which had lost half of its population through plague, Chien Chia Tien. The people themselves considered this pneumonic plague a heaven-sent calamity, and eagerly listened to the good news of the remedy for sin. The 2,000 soldiers usually encamped there, had gone to the Russian front a few days previously. The little party distributing tracts came to a school. The head teacher most courteously asked Miss Graham to speak to the pupils. For one hour or more those 130 scholars gave close attention. Both teachers were interested and private talks with both followed. Shops were visited, literature left and all the helpers gathered together to listen to a short address.

In town after town the programme is much the same. In one place, a doctor, or the postmaster, or a school teacher, would acknowledge having been taught in a mission school, and having a New Testament, but being alone has not been a true witness to the Truth. Confession would follow, perhaps a real receiving of Christ into the heart by faith, and a promise to try to help others, because of this new experience. The many soldiers receive much attention from our missionaries. Train loads go past, crowded with men who may be going straight to their doom, many die of cold and exposure before reaching the battlefield. How grateful those who can read are for even one tract. On one trip out from Tungliao, Miss Graham sold 700 scripture portions and gave away 13,000 tracts.

Miss Kok's headquarters have necessarily been in Szepingkai, as she continues both Secretary and Treasurer of the field. She is happy over the opening of a new town, Ts'ilushu, where preaching has been going on daily for the past six months. With three women she went there last autumn. Obliged to return to Szepingkai in December, she left the two best behind to go on with the work, hoping soon to rejoin them and stay through February. She writes, "The villages round about could take up one's whole time." "The numbers of old people, eagerly listening and for the first time, and only able to grasp a few general truths in pathetic. Having to leave them, perhaps for months, perhaps for ever, knowing only there is Some One, who could satisfy is cruel. What are the young people of to-day busy with? Does the thought of sacrifice on behalf of others attract no more? Are we missionaries so protected against danger and hardship that there is nothing of the heroic in our lives to appeal to the right kind of young folk?"

Little Chinese girl in her wadded winter clothes in Szepingkai

Miss Luella Crockett of Hopewell, Nova Scotia, has been in Peiping, China, since October, 1929. She is courageously attacking the northern Mandarin after a term in Canton, and looking forward to joining Mrs. Kok in Manchuria this summer.

SOUTH CHINA

Dr. Jessie MacBean writes of her heavy schedule this year. Teaching in Chinese requires much preparation. Many hours are given to that. Whilst Canton has been kept quiet, the fear of fresh fighting is always ahead. This limits business and hinders work. Dr. MacBean's chief interest just now is a nicely developing maternity clinic. She has been hampered for lack of room, but the authorities of the ''Hackett Medical College'' have built two new rooms for her and news of a legacy, left by a member of the W.M.S. for work in South China, which is to go to her for equipment has greatly rejoiced her heart, even made her feel better physically!

Miss Ethel Reid has been invited by the Church of Christ in China to return to work with it in direct evangelization. Miss Reid is most happy in the prospect.

BRITISH GUIANA

We are sorry that our work in British Guiana can not show an increase; and that instead of such desirable conditions, there is a decrease, the Girls' Training Home at New Amsterdam having been closed since the summer holidays.

The Girls' High School is progressing satisfactorily under the leadership of Miss Mary Murray, B.A. Eight girls passed the Cambridge examination with credit to themselves and to their teacher. The pupils having increased in numbers and requiring more room since none of the classes now go to the Boys' High School for instruction, it was decided that the historic ''Brick House'' be used exclusively for the Girls' High School, and that the Girls' Training Home be moved to Essequibo, where the new Home is to be situated, and that in the meantime suitable quarters be rented for it.

Miss Dallas, appointee of the W.M.S. (E.D.), who had been appointed acting Superintendent of the Training Home during Miss Barlow's furlough, resigned at the end of the summer term and Miss Cropper was appointed in her place. Miss Cropper resumed her evangelistic work in Demerara June 1st, conducting classes for women and girls at Better Hope and at Triumph, visiting the women in their homes in both congregations and teaching two Sunday School classes each week.

Miss Barlow, who has completed the course at the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, Toronto, has been transferred to the W.M.S. (E.D.) and will return to the field well-equipped to do effective work.

JAPAN

Mission work among Koreans in Japan is growing steadily. Christian groups are now well scattered over the country and have overflowed to adjoining islands. As an example of this growth, we mention one group in which Church service was started with three persons in attendance, now there is an average attendance of thirty, accompanied by earnest study of the Bible; other groups have a similar increase. The native pastors and Bible women are faithful and indefatigable workers. They organize and lead congregations, Bible classes, Sunday Schools, night schools and are winning many souls for the Master. No doubt the source of their power lies in prayer, for we are told the workers in Kobe and Osaka meet fortnightly to pray for God's blessing on their work.

The Koreans are the despised and rejected in Japan and for this reason are very friendly toward the missionary and grateful for the message of salvation he brings. As a rule they are very poor and live in the midst of dismal surroundings. This hopeless sort of condition makes a heavy demand upon the sympathy of the sensitive conscientious Christian worker, but it is a great joy to take the light of the gospel into these dull, sordid lives. One of the discouraging features is the opium habit. There is little restriction put upon this traffic with the result that the Koreans in their loneliness and poverty fall easy victims.

While taking her first year language study in Seoul, Korea, our missionary, Miss MacLean, tried to learn something of the character and life of the Koreans in their native land, that she might understand them better in their adopted country. Soon after her return to Japan she started a women's Bible class though only able to speak a little Korean. But, because she willingly did what she could God blessed her effort. The class has grown in numbers. The women eagerly listen to the gospel message and show a deep interest in the study of the Bible.

Our two Bible women are earnest and faithful in their work. Mrs. Kim has a group of Christians under her care. She not only conducts all meetings, Bible classes and does all visiting for this group, but holds Church services in a nearby city and teaches two Bible study classes in other cities. She is greatly beloved by the women. Mrs. Em speaks Russian, Japanese and Korean fluently and is a graduate of a Bible school in Korea. Her training, as well as her knowledge of Korean problems, has fitted her particularly well for the work. Miss MacLean says of her, ''We consider her a valuable teacher for our Industrial Bible School.''

The kindergarten schools are progressing nicely. Miss MacLean has noted with pleasure and thankfulness the improvement in the children who attend, especially in cleanliness, behaviour and ability, but the greatest improvement is looked for in years to come, from the seed of Christianity sown in their hearts in childhood.

Our W.M.S. has another interest in Japan in the work Dr. Caroline Macdonald is doing for girls in industry. Some years ago during a strike in one of the textile factories in Tokyo, Dr. Macdonald allowed the girls on strike to hold meetings at her settlement and because she taught them homely accomplishments and provided classes for study at that time, she now has under her care a night school of large proportions. This school has several branches in different factory groups. The hope of the leaders is to enlarge the curriculum so that it will equal that of the ordinary high school. In conducting this school Dr. Macdonald is giving working girls an opportunity for education, but carrying with it the teachings of Christ. She has translated into action the principles taught by Him. This year a club has been formed, composed of all those who have attended the school. By such a club it is hoped to keep the ex-students interested in studying and in improving themselves. For the post-graduates a class for instruction in English, in elementary law and in economics has been started. These advanced students are active in the Labor Movement and feel the need of some fundamental knowledge of these subjects. By her interest in Japanese women Dr. Macdonald has brought them consolation and enlightenment. As a result they realize their own intrinsic value, economically and otherwise, and now, says Dr. Macdonald, ''The problem which remains is, to see that they understand the spiritual value of life as well, and this not for their own sakes alone but for the sake of building up the Kingdom of God on earth.

''Our task'', said Dr. Macdonald, ''is not an easy one, we need your prayers, so, please remember us and our work at the throne of grace, and be assured of our deepest appreciation of all you make it possible for us to do.''

At a farewell luncheon given in her honor before she left to attend the Labor Conference in Geneva as interpreter to the Labor Delegate from Japan, the chairman paid a high tribute to Dr. Macdonald and her good work in Japan. While in Canada on her way back she gave a few addresses and on one occasion said, ''I will be so glad to see Japan again''. This aptly expresses her love for her adopted country and for her work.

The Candidates Department

MRS. D. INGLIS GRANT

IF increase in applications means increase in interest, your Candidates Committee has some cause for thanksgiving. Quite sixty new names came into the department during the past year. Twenty-five of these newcomers were nurses, seeking information about our mission hospitals, or, applying for work therein.

The year's list included also a number of teachers, a few Social Service and Household Science graduates, and a lessening number of those who lack some of the qualifications necessary for mission work. As usual, and of necessity, there was much correspondence, some of it, seemingly, useless. Yet, who shall say what part of it was most worth while. In so far as was possible, prompt and sympathetic attention was given all enquiries and applications, and all appointments here reported, were made on recommendation of the Candidates Committee, which met as often as the busy days allowed.

Sixty new names last year! More than two hundred and sixty since June, 1925! And, as yet, not one University trained candidate for the principalship of the Girls' School in Formosa. Well-equipped teachers we have, but for this post we need, and the Japanese Government requires of us, a University graduate with normal or faculty training. Is it that our Presbyterian women graduates do not know of this need, or has it no interest for them? In answer to the former question, your Secretary wishes to report that in *The Glad Tidings,* and in the Annual Report, at Council meetings, on two occasions before the Ontario Provincial Board, through our Travelling Secretaries, by direct appeal from Council Executive members, and in correspondence with Provincial and Presbyterial Presidents, from east to west, this urgent need has been emphasized. Again the question arises, ''Are the University trained young women in our Presbyterian homes indifferent to the mission work of their Church?''

The music teacher for Formosa is in sight. Miss Isabel Taylor, a candidate with some knowledge of music, and a keen desire to go to India, responded to this Formosa call, and is now in the Missionary and Deaconess Training School, combining a course in music with her missionary preparation, and hoping to reach the standard required in each, after another year of intensive study.

During the year, appointments made to national work, through this department, were: Miss Caroline I. Tate, a graduate of the Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital, North Bay, appointed to the staff of the South Porcupine Hospital; Miss Kathleen McNeill, of Toronto, a graduate of Wellesley Hospital, also to South Porcupine; Miss Elizabeth Geddes, Port Elgin, a graduate of Macdonald Institute, Guelph, as Assistant Superintendent of the Saskatoon School Home; Miss Margaret Grigor, of Vancouver, a qualified music teacher and graduate of the Vancouver Bible Training College, to the Livingstone and Broadview Missions, and Welcome and Welfare work in Vancouver city; Miss Helen Ross, a teacher, of Chesley, who was graduated from the Missionary and Deaconess Training School, in April, to deaconess work in the cities of Regina and Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. Two other graduating deaconesses, Miss Mary Todd, of Ailsa Craig, and Miss Beatrice Bernath, of Toronto, were appointed to port work for the coming season, Miss Todd to Montreal, Miss Bernath to Quebec.

Five candidates received appointment to overseas work—Miss Mary Ellen Anderson, of Acton, Ontario, a teacher with a First Class Permanent Certificate, Faculty training, several years of teaching experience, and one year of missionary preparation in the Training School, was appointed to evangelistic work among the Koreans in Japan; Miss Catharine M. Moodie of New Westminster, B.C., a teacher with first year University standing, Normal training, four years of teaching, and the two years' Deaconess course, was appointed to teaching service in the Gwalior Mission, Jhansi, India; Miss Gladys H. L. Timney, Toronto, with high school education, business training and experience, and graduation standing from the Toronto Bible College, was appointed to evangelistic work in the Gwalior Mission; Miss Ellen I. Douglas, of New Westminster, B.C., a teacher, having first year University standing, Normal training, two years of teaching experience, and the full Deaconess course, was appointed to teach in the Bhil field, India; Miss Mildred Soutar, R.N., of Hamilton, a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, Hamilton, with several years of business training and experience, her professional work, and one year of preparation for mission work, was appointed to nursing service in the ''M. G. Abey Memorial'' Nursing Home for Children, in Amkhut, India. These new missionaries, around whom so much interest has centred during the past year, are graduated also, from the Candidates department. They go from the place of preparation to the greater place of service. If in any degree their being sent is due to the work of the Candidates Committee, its members would give thanks, to the Father of us all, that such a privilege came their way.

Laying the Foundation of the "M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home," at Amkhut

MISS BERTHA ROBSON

ON February 5th, we began to dig for the foundation of the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home.'' On the 19th, at Nathu Bhai's own suggestion, we held a little prayer meeting down by the trenches before putting in the first stone. One of the teachers, one of the elders and the mason, Nathu, each gave a message and prayed. . . . they did not ''offer a prayer,'' they ''prayed'' and the children sang. Mr. McDonald, from Jobat, arrived in time to give a few words and then Budhiya Bhai, the father of little Martha, put in the first stone. There must have been four hundred people present, all standing or sitting on heaps of bricks and stones. They were very much in earnest, desiring that from its beginning the work should be a means of blessing.

In a week the foundation was finished and now the walls are going up so fast that we cannot believe our eyes and we have neither a Sahib nor a man from outside on the work. We go on with fear and trembling lest our inexperience cause us to make some serious blunder, but we are all being careful too and the way everybody is helping is just a marvel. Miss Williamson is so nimble of hand and foot and mind that she helps me at every turn. She just does everything that I don't have time to do in addition to her own work and even pay-day lost half its worry with her sitting by to hand out the ''paisa'' while I made them try to understand how their varying amounts were arrived at.

There are more than one hundred and fifty non-Christians at work and they get a half-hour Bible lesson every day. Many of them are interested already and the young girls go on with their work singing and repeating what they have learned in class. It is lovely to see and hear them.

Training to be an Athlete

This address was prepared and delivered by a Galician boy, aged thirteen, at East Selkirk. It was written without Miss Jenkinson's assistance and given without any notes.

LET us suppose that the athlete is training for sport running. Could he win a race with proper training if he is using drugs such as alcohol and tobacco? No. Why shouldn't he? Because, if he uses drugs he would find himself poor in strength, wind and speed, and because smoking would not only make him short winded, but his breath would not be very agreeable, besides there is poison in tobacco which is harmful to the body; alcohol the same, only, more dangerous. Not only does alcohol harm him as tobacco does, but it also affects the kidneys and liver, the eyes become dull and change color. The best way to cure these habits is not to start them, but, if the trainer or coach gives him proper training and he does not use tobacco and alcohol, he would find himself rising to the top and he would become an expert and professional runner. He also would be a respected athlete.

Not only should an athlete be in the pink of condition, but ourselves even though we are not athletes. We can become and keep ourselves in best condition by having—regular baths, clean and loose clothing, because if the clothes are too tight the blood does not circulate as it should. Try to eat fresh vegetables and fruits, whole wheat bread, cereals, drink as much milk as possible for it is one of your most needed foods to build up your body. Be sure to eat slowly and chew your food very fine, so that it is digested more easily, also, drink plenty of water—at least six glasses a day. Brush your teeth after every meal and always before going to bed. Do plenty of exercise outside and inside. Always let fresh air into your bedroom and keep your body in correct posture when you walk or sit. Throw your shoulders ''down and back'', your chin ''in'', and pull back your neck. Keep your back straight but easy, keep your stomach in. We can be healthy and strong if we wish. Some of us are a little lazy and if we would wake up and put some life into ourselves we would also be healthy and strong.

One reason why some of us are lazy, is because we eat more than is necessary. As soon as you feel you are satisfied, stop eating. When you fill yourself till you cannot eat more, one cannot wonder if you feel lazy.

Some people want to sleep after a hearty meal, and when they try to move with speed, find they cannot.

Be temperate in all things.
Eat enough, not too much.
Sleep enough, not too much.
Drink enough water, not too much, 2 gallons!

Programme of an ordinary meeting, Thursday evening, 7 p.m.

Hymn. Prayer by President—boy 14. *Hymn. Roll call,* answered with ''Trust and Obey.'' *Scripture reading*—usually a Psalm. *Hymn. Collection. Minutes and business. Treasurer's report. General business. Hymn. Mizpah Benediction.* Boxing, wrestling, or gymnastics—8 p.m. Closes before 9 p.m.

Dr. and Mrs. Gushue-Taylor and Miss Senior Visit India

MRS. GUSHUE-TAYLOR

WE had a good sea voyage after we got out of the English Channel and Bay, but the delay of those first few days, made our stay at the ports shorter, and we usually arrived late in the evening so did not see as much as we had hoped.

We landed in Bombay at 5.30 p.m. January 17th, and after a motor ride around for a couple of hours, took the night train for Dohad. We travelled second class and were able to lie down, we had cushions and rugs with us. I did not sleep, it was bright moonlight and we had frequent stops. The many groups of people huddling around a fire, or sleeping on the station platforms was pathetic. We reached Dohad at 11 a.m. and there waited for three hours when Miss McConnell arrived with a motor (which she had rented) to show us the way. It was a very ancient car, and we had to stop about every ten minutes to add water, the leakage was so bad we just watered the road. We went through the bazaar and saw many interesting sights, our first glimpse of real Indian life. After about thirty miles of rough roads and through shallow rivers, we were met by Mr. McDonald, and were glad to get into his nice car and travel quickly through the jungle into Amkhut, arriving just before dusk. We saw monkeys in the trees, and that beautiful view of the valley and mountains.

We happened to arrive the week of the Christian *mela.* About four hundred had gathered for conference and worship from the churches near. All the missionaries were there too, as the Presbytery and Mission Council were meeting the next week. We stayed with Dr. and Mrs. Howie, and Mr. and Mrs. Young, and Miss Senior went to the ladies' bungalow, but we all had meals together (14 of us) at the

Buchanan bungalow. It was most enjoyable meeting all these dear people, and they were so kind.

Sunday morning we attended the service. Most of the congregation sat on the ground, and a native pastor took the service, every one was so reverent, and Mr. Young led the singing which was very hearty. Miss Robson played the organ. At the close, we had the Lord's Supper. Large shiny leaves were distributed on a brass tray, each took one and, by pinching together one side, formed a cup, then an elder with a glass and spoon poured the wine into our cups and we took the chappati or native pancake, as bread, and thus we remembered our Lord's death. It was a great privilege to unite in fellowship with these dear jungle Christians, and a day I shall never forget. At the afternoon service, we received ten little ones into fellowship by baptism, dear little Francis Yvonne Toombs, was one. Dr. Taylor spoke about the leper work in Formosa, and the pastor also gave a lengthy address. The whole service lasted just over three hours.

The following days we visited the school of boys and girls and the children sang to us and recited and drilled for our entertainment, doing great credit to their teachers. We also saw the girls' hostel and native workshop, where the wood was being prepared for the new W.M.S. bungalow in Jobat. We went to a native Christian home, the goats and cows all enclosed, and so little comfort.

Mr. McDonald motored us to Jobat, where we met Dr. and Mrs. Draper and family, and he showed us around the hospital which looked very nice and clean, the operating room is especially good. Those two native nurses must have worked hard to have the beds and patients so comfortable. Unfortunately Miss McConnell was in Amkhut at the *mela.*

The new W.M.S. bungalow is not finished yet. It looks a beautiful house, so airy and big and strong. Here we met Mrs. McDonald and her lovely family, such fine children. Martha and Joy motored back with us, also Mrs. McDonald who was going to the Council meeting, which met that evening at eight o'clock.

Miss Robson kindly motored us back to Dohad, and we passed Miss Maxwell's little lonely bungalow in the jungle. She is so courageous to carry on there alone.

We asked Mrs. Young to accompany us to Delhi and Agra, and it was a great pleasure to us all to have her valuable help along the way. We spent one day in Delhi, seeing wonderful ancient buildings, the fort, tombs and the Mohammedan jumping pool and largest mosque in India, also something of new Delhi. The Viceroy was in residence at the time. We saw many relics of the mutiny at the museum and drove along Battery Ridge on the way to the station.

We arrived in Agra on Saturday and were comfortably housed at a tourist home, and stayed over the week-end. The Taj Mahal was beautiful. Before all the precious jewels had been removed it must have been gorgeous. Dr. Taylor and Miss Senior climbed the minarets. I am not fond of heights. The next day was supposed to be ''Independence Day'' and some were expecting trouble. An extra detachment of soldiers was sent to Agra. One Indian told us that there would only be a ''botheration'', but nothing happened, and as we went off to church twice that day, no one troubled us, and every one was kind and friendly.

Our next step was Jhansi, where we were kindly met by Miss Whatling and Mr. Hawtin. Mrs. Young and Miss Senior stayed at the W.M.S. house, and Dr. Taylor and I with Mr. Lowther and Mr. Mackay. What a nice girls' school they have and such interesting-looking girls! They sang to us and we saw some of their drawn thread work and embroidery. In the evening those kind bachelors had a wonderful party for us, inviting three doctors from the city and all the ladies in the compound. Next morning we went visiting in the city, into the real zenanas, and saw some of the women who were being taught Christianity and who so rarely see outside their small rooms. In one house they sang a hymn accompanied by a drum. They all seemed so pleased to see Miss Whatling and Mrs. Young and the Bible woman who was with us. We also visited the American hospital where Miss Simpson has been working for the past three months, a very nice clean hospital with about twenty native nurses. Then we went to a school of seventy scholars carried on by Miss Lawton in a native house, in the heart of the city. She is doing a great work with very little equipment.

Mr. Hawtin took us out to the farm, it was all very interesting. It seems so necessary to teach the people how to cultivate the land, when there are such large tracts uncultivated and the masses are so poor. Their poverty just haunts one. Imagine seeing women in the dustbins hunting for food, and the people sleeping on the pavements at night, just a bundle of rags!

Mrs. Young left us here and we journeyed on to Allahabad the night before the big *mela* about which, I am sure, you will have heard, but we were so glad to see this great multitude. One can't help feeling how great a hold their religious ceremony has. It was pathetic to see this mass seeking light and life and forgiveness through their own efforts, giving money, washing in and scattering flowers on the water of the Ganges.

Purulia with 772 lepers under the C.M.S. was very interesting. We stayed four days with the Superintendent, Rev. and Mrs. Cannon. It is situated amongst the trees and the lepers seemed so happy. There were observation homes, and untainted homes for boys and girls as well, also a nice new 8 B ward for lepers, just opened. We attended the prize distribution and entertainment and the leper Girl Guides performed for us. The Sunday service in the Church was thrilling, they were so earnest and the singing very good for lepers, whose voices become so raucous. They asked that they might give the collection money to our lepers in Formosa, after Dr. Taylor had told them about the work. Their contribution amounted to thirty shillings. At the morning service the English Church gave twenty rupees. I forgot to tell you, in Amkhut the congregation had made a collection at Christmas, and decided to send it over to our lepers; these poor folk, who have so little of this world's goods, wasn't it beautiful, a gift of thirty-five rupees!

In Naini we saw the leper colony of about 400 patients. They have homes for leper and untainted children, and each one cultivates a plot of land, and they keep a farm. Most of them are Christians, and they had formed a band and were singing hymns and distributing tracts and gospels to the pilgrims who were passing their gate on the way down to the Ganges.

Now we are seeing Calcutta and Dr. Taylor is at the tropical school of medicine, working with Dr. Muir in his leprosy research work. Miss Senior and I spent yesterday morning at his out-patient department seeing cases. Last week we saw the Albert Victor leper hospital at Gobra, run by an Indian doctor and three Roman Catholic sisters. We have decided to leave here a week earlier than we anticipated, as there is a boat direct to Hong Kong. En route we hope to see more leper work in Penang and Singapore. It has been a wonderful trip and the weather has been nice and cool. It has been a great pleasure to meet so many of our other colleagues working in this part of the vineyard, and our interest has been much increased. We shall never forget them and their work here.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

SUMMER and vacation time turn thoughts to summer camps and summer schools. If there has been little time for reading all winter, at least some time should be set aside for summer reading, that inspiration of the soul may come with revitalizing the body. Especially do we need something fine to think about after a day of work and play when sitting in the moonlight, very near to Nature—

"In the smoky haze of campfire,
And content of leisure won,
When the long black shadows lengthen
To the bright flame and are gone."

So this month we have chosen a few suitable titles to list, that our young people may find it convenient to remember other young people in far lands, during their own time of vacation.

PRESBYTERIAN MISSION WORK ACROSS CANADA, is the title of a pocket which is made to contain our new series of leaflets on national work. Two leaflets are ready, and are ''The Light Breaks Through'', the story of Ukrainian work in Canada, and ''The Story of Ah Wing'', which covers Chinese work. There will be six altogether in the set, two of which go forward now with the pocket, two in the summer, and the last two in the fall. The price of this set is 35c., and later leaflets will be mailed to all subscribing now. These are attractive and interesting, suitable for use in any organization for the information they contain, or to give as a paper. Leaflets without the pocket are 5c. each and the pockets 10c., but we recommend each member having the complete set.

IN EASTERN GARDENS, by E. M. F. Major, is a book of short stories on India, very suitable for telling around a campfire. It is bound in cloth and is very interesting. Price each 75c.

YOUTH IN THE WORLD SERVICE would make splendid material for many debates, and leaders of all organizations will find ideas worth having in it. Stiff board cover 35c.

THE DESIRE OF ALL NATIONS, by E. G. Smith, deals with ''The Bible and Missions, The Preacher and Missions, The Church and Missions, The Critic and Missions.'' Paper cover, each 50c. Cloth, $1.50.

''Our Summer School At Toran Mall,'' is a leaflet on our summer school in India, 5c. each.

NEW PICTURE MAP OF INDIA, just arrived. Order one for C.G.I.T., Mission Bands, or Auxiliaries. Each, 60c.

Now for Auxiliary members, who want something to read on the verandah during the long evenings, there is:

JAPAN SPEAKS FOR HERSELF, a book written by different Japanese writers and edited by Milton Stauffer. This is something we have been looking for—a book on Christianity by the people who have given up old customs and adopted it and can interpret the Christianity of their communities to parent communities in the west. Bound in attractive paper cover, per copy 75c.

CHINA HER OWN INTERPRETER, same as above only written by the Chinese, per copy 75c.

INDIA ON THE MARCH, by A. H. Clark, a new edition of this fine book on India bound very attractively in paper 75c.

CHRIST OF EVERY ROAD, by E. Stanley Jones, is selling very quickly. In this anniversary year of Pentecost this book is being very widely read, and we have a good supply at per copy $1.50.

BY MY SPIRIT is Dr. Goforth's new book, and now that he is with us again, everyone who hears him will desire to personally own a copy—$1.25.

All of the above mentioned books would be suitable in your Missionary Library at your church. Add them one at a time.

New Sketches and Pageants

''Mission Band Pageant'', given at the Ontario Provincial, a few copies are still available at per copy 10c. Our Chinese Cousins song 5c. extra.

''Mother Goose and Her Missionary Family'' is a most delightful new book of Mother Goose Rhymes adapted to missionary thoughts, just the thing for Primary children and Mission Bands, 25c. each.

''The Visit of Happy Day'' is a party programme for children, each 7c.

''The Fairy Festival'' takes care of many children and is also suitable for Mission Bands, per copy 7c.

''Thanksgiving Ann'' is for Auxiliaries, and requires four adults and two children, per copy 15c.

''How the W.M.S. Won the Young Ladies'' is very good, per copy 7c.

Prayer

O LORD our Heavenly Father, Who hearest the prayers of Thy servants for one another, be pleased to hear us as we entreat Thy blessing upon our missionaries at home and overseas. Preserve them, we pray Thee, from all danger. Endue them with wisdom, patience and courage and crown their labor with success in the gathering of souls into Thy kingdom. Bless those who have given loved ones for Christ's service, and grant that we in the homeland may not fail those we have appointed to service either in adequate support or sustaining prayer. Bestow Thy rich blessing on our missionaries under appointment. As they go forth with Thy message may they be given ''strength for their daily tasks, fortitude in the face of danger, hope in the presence of uncertainty, comfort in sorrow, and, at all times, the Peace that passeth understanding.'' Bless, we pray Thee, our summer schools, and camps. May they be the means of turning the thought of many of our young people to the opportunity of leadership. Touch the hearts of our young men that they may see in the ministry of our Church an avenue of service to mankind. We remember before Thee, our Church. Baptize her anew with Thy spirit. Grant Thy guidance in all the deliberations of the General Assembly. We pray Thee for our Empire. Bless our King and endue his counsellors with wisdom. Forgive us for our lack of devotion to Thy cause, and make us more truly Thy followers, for we ask it in the name of Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

OUR LETTER BOX

Building For the Future

Grande Prairie, Alta.

"MANY thanks for the six rolls of magazines, etc., you have sent. We enjoy them ourselves, and now that we are using our car again, we will be able to pass them on to others. To send them by mail is rather expensive. I will be very pleased to accept the New Testaments and copies of the gospels. We continue to be very happy in our work here, and although there are no great visible results, we have much cause for thankfulness to our Lord and Master, as here and there, we find hearts that He is blessing through us. My little Sunday School here in Grande Prairie is most encouraging. We have 36 names on the roll now. We still meet in our home; the class of 23 meets in the living room, the class of 13 in the kitchen. I have also been able to get the women organized into a Guild. We have seven very interested members. I hope in time to start a W. M. Auxiliary."

—Mrs. E. A. Wright.

Far-distant Patients

Fort McMurray, Alta.

Feb. 19th.—"I am very glad to say there has been a break in the weather, and what a relief, for fifty below zero in the middle of February is almost an unheard of thing. It just keeps one busy firing up all the time.

One of my patients to-day was the son of my late patient. He is domiciled at Fort Fitzgerald, 250 miles or so from here, and just to show what a marvelous thing the aeroplane is, he received a wire notifying him of his father's death, and in two hours and fifteen minutes he was here and caught the train for Edmonton. It so happened that there was a plane returning from points further north."

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April 8th.—"I had a patient arrive to-day on the train. She had an eight mile drive over the rough roads to the siding. I cannot at present tell just what is the matter. It is so difficult when they do not speak English. I do not anticipate anything serious. I think most of them have had a very hard winter. However, she appears to be enjoying her nice cozy bed, and is sleeping at intervals for she sat up all night on the train. The place she came from is 70 miles distant. The doctor is away."

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April 16th.—"The patient of whom I spoke in my last letter was able to be discharged yesterday as I think her chief trouble was the effects of the long and trying journey, for she made rapid recovery.

The following are a few of the books sent by a kind friend: 'The Days of Auld Land Syne,' Ian MacLaren; 'The Woman of Knockaloe,' Hall Caine; 'Angels' Shoes, M. L. C. Pickthall; 'Sussex-Gorse,' Sheila Kaye-Smith; 'The All-Conquering Power,' Joseph Hocking; 'The Lengthened Shadow,' Locke.'' —*Olive Ross.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

SUGGESTIONS FOR BIBLE READINGS ON THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

2. Power Given Acts II

1. Conditions fulfilled (Acts 1:14)—In Chapter 1, the power of the Holy Spirit is promised to the disciples. ''The same Holy Spirit who abode in Christ, through whom He discoursed of the Kingdom, was to descend upon them, dwell in them and be the source and secret of all power in working and witnessing.'' The fulfillment of this promise depended upon certain conditions (Luke 24:49) which were met in a ten days' prayer meeting in Jerusalem, in which both men and women took part.

2. Power given (2:2, 3)—A sound, ''as of a rushing mighty wind''; an appearance like ''tongues of fire.'' Fire is used as a sign of the presence of God (Ex. 3:2; 20:17, 18). Compare baptism of Jesus—(Luke 3:21, 22).

3. Results:

(a) Unlearned and ignorant men (4:13) spake the wonderful words of God as the Spirit gave them utterance: to individuals (4:12); to the multitudes (14:16). Peter preached a wonderful sermon on the Messiahship of Jesus, proven by his resurrection, ascension, and the giving of the Holy Spirit (32:36). Compare (Ex. 4:10-12).

(b) Many convicted of sin, (v. 37, John 16:8, 9); three thousand converted (41).

(c) Wonders and signs were done by the apostles (v. 43).

(d) The first Church was organized (42-47). Members continued steadfastly in faith, works, prayer and praise.

''Every believer is born of the Spirit (John 3:3, 6), indwelt by the Spirit whose presence makes the believer's body a temple (1 Cor. 6:19; Rom. 8:9-14), and baptized by the Spirit (1 Cor. 12:12, 13), thus sealing him for God, (Eph. 1:13; 4:30).'' It is the believer's privilege and duty to be filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18).

He is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think *according to the power that worketh in us.*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

Missionary Activities at Camp

ISABEL HYSLOP

EVERY summer many of our keenest, most enthusiastic girls attend *Canadian Girls in Training camps and Summer Schools.* The programme is a varied one and affords scope for many interests, but always ''first things are placed first.'' Bible study, worship and missionary education occupy much thought and time during busy camp days.

Those of us who accept the responsibility of this missionary education either for the whole camp period or for perhaps only a day or so, must realize the opportunity, the responsibility, yes, even more—the challenge that is ours.

Let us ever remember that a teen-age girl lives in the realm of many interests, one of which may or may not be missionary. So as we approach our group of girls our first task may be to convince the girls of the interest and the need of missions. To merely state statistics or even quote the fascinating stories of the work in the mission fields may prove useless unless the listeners themselves feel the need and the enthusiasm of the work. Because of this I maintain that very often at camp our task is not to give information about our mission fields but rather to pave the way—to arouse the interest that will send the girls from camp to their various churches eager and anxious to have their group spend much time during the winter months not only studying the missionary work of the church, but in useful service. Once a teen-age girl sees the need, and catches the enthusiasm and the spirit of missions, the response is not lacking.

Perhaps our task will seem a little clearer if we first realize ourselves the aims of missionary education. As suggested in ''Programme Suggestions for Presbyterian Girls'' they are:

1. To make Christ a reality in the life and experience of the girls.
2. To develop and foster right attitudes towards peoples of other races and right relationships with them.
3. To give some knowledge of the work being done by the Presbyterian Church.

The first of these aims is the centre of all camp thinking and activities and certainly must be ever in the minds of the leaders.

When the camp programme is planned provision should be made for an interest group in World Friendship. These few suggestions may prove helpful to anyone leading such a group.

1. Plan to discuss with the girls such topics as immigration, racial problems applying to Canada; such books as ''The Heroes of Our Home Lands'' or ''Our Canadian Mosaic'' will prove useful.

2. Discuss the organization and work of the League of Nations. Have the group represent a meeting of the League, each girl speaking on behalf of different countries; or they might pretend they were delegates to the League faced with the problem of solving such questions as relationships between nations. The group might draw up a list of suggestions as to these. The Story of the League of Nations, by Innes, contains interesting and concise information.

3. Discuss personal attitudes to others which exist in our schools, in our Sunday School or group, and in our homes.

4. Have the group arrange a World Friendship day for the whole camp. Make each tent responsible for one country. Arrange all the day's activities around these themes.

5. Have the group give a demonstration of games and songs of other nations. ''Far Peoples'' contains an excellent list.

6. Prepare a pageant to be presented before the whole camp showing scenes from our own mission fields.

If we are only present at camp for a few days we will probably be most concerned with the third missionary aim—that is, to give definite information about our Presbyterian mission fields. This may be done in various ways.

1. Arrange a missionary programme for one of the campfires. Have the girls plan and conduct a worship service based on a missionary theme. Girls love to ''dress up'' particularly at camp where there is the thrill of using all one's ingenuity and originality in the making of costumes. Ask the girls to come to the campfire dressed as Indians or Koreans (depending on the talk you are giving). It is surprising what a different atmosphere of interest even this simple device will create.

2. Plan to meet the girls in small groups where the atmosphere is informal and encourage the girls to take part in discussion and to ask questions.

3. Have as many pictures as possible, give some to each tent to study, then have a contest in which the girls see how many of the pictures they know something about.

4. Assign a mission field to each tent—give them some material about that field (take back numbers of *Glad Tidings* with you or any informative books on the subject). At one of the campfires have a representative from each tent tell something of the work in that place or in one of the camp papers have an article by each tent on their assigned field.

5. Arrange if possible an exhibit of articles from countries where our work is carried on.

6. The Handcraft group might make articles to be sent to our port workers.

7. Have the girls plan and write letters to be sent to our various missionaries telling of camp—again each tent or group might be assigned a particular person.

And so other ideas will suggest themselves to those who earnestly and thoughtfully seek to interest our teen-age girls. However we may plan our work let us ever remember that the leader herself must be afire with enthusiasm and devotion for the work. She must have a genuine love for and interest in girls and added to this a firm belief in the power of Christ.

"The glory is not in the task but in the doing it for God."

SUMMER SCHOOLS AND CAMPS

Alberta—Sylvan Lake.

British Columbia—Keats Island, Vancouver—July 2-16 (boys); 17-31 (girls); Aug. 2-16 (young people's camp).

Manitoba—"Cecilia Jeffrey" School.

Ontario—Fort William, ... (leaders and girls). Pumpkin Point—probable dates June 30-July 9 (leaders and girls). Glenmohr,* July 2-11 (boys); 12-21 (girls); 22-31 (young people's summer school).

Quebec—Huntingdon—July 2-9 (girls and leaders).

* This beautiful camp site is four miles from Beaverton and two miles from Gamebridge, on the eastern shore of Lake Simcoe. It comprises ten acres of land and is the gift of Mr. and Mrs. James Playfair, of Midland, to the youth of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston.

MISSION BANDS

RALLY DAY PROGRAMME

Motto—"Then spake Jesus again unto them saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of life." John 8:12.

Rally Song—"Jesus Bids Us Shine." (768)

Scripture Lesson—John 1:1-9; Matt. 5:13-16.

Hymn—"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus." (763)

Prayer—Our Father in Heaven, on this our rally day, we thank Thee for this Christian land of ours and for our happy homes. We thank Thee, loving Father, for our share in the work for the stranger boys and girls here in Canada and for others in far-away lands. We are so glad that we can pray, work and give to others for whom Jesus died. We pray Thee to help us do our part, that the boys and girls of India, China, Japan, Formosa, British

Guiana and our homeland may learn to love and follow Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Greetings.

Address.

Offering and Prayer.

Hymn—"The Wise May Bring Their Learning." (779)

The Lord's Prayer (in unison).

A MESSAGE TO MISSION BAND LEADERS

Dear Leaders:

We have been asked by Mission Band workers to allow the boys and girls to complete, this year, the offering for the furnishing of the "M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home" in Amkhut, which they began last year. The plan I have to suggest is that each Leader ask the members of her Band to save *an extra five cents* during their happy holidays for the Children's Nursing Home in Amkhut, and to bring their offering to the September meeting, remembering that Miss Robson, our missionary, and Mrs. Abey who built the home, love these children and want to save their lives for Him who loves all little ones, white, black, brown or yellow (p. 216).

Here is a story for Mission Banders to show what one Band did.

A mother taught her little four year old daughter this verse:

> "If every girl and boy in every Band
> Would give five cents with willing hand,
> 'Twould help the Bhils in that far land
> To furnish the nursing home they've planned."

The wee girl recited this verse and then said, "Bring on your pennies." The boys and girls went up with their pennies and their offering was $2.00.

Boys and girls of every Band, bring your pennies.

—*Laura A. Dill.*

For instructions *about* how to send the money see page 204.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

EDMONTON P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering of First Church, Edmonton, was largely attended. Rev. Mr. Stone, of First Baptist Church, gave the address. Contributions amounted to $137.

Westmount Mission Band gave an interesting Easter entertainment.

Our Church missionary, Rev. E. A. Wright, of Grande Prairie, is doing truly yeoman service. His field is 600 miles in length and he preaches at 7 different points. The new Church at Brownvale is a great credit to Mr. Wright and the energetic people of that district. The Church was built entirely by voluntary labor, its dimensions are 40′ x 24′ x 12′. The roof was on one week after they began work, and it was opened two months later, entirely free of debt.

We extend our heartiest congratulations to Rev. F. D. Roxburgh, of St. Andrew's Church, Edmonton, on the honor conferred on him by his alma mater, Knox College.

St. Andrew's Church has organized a teen-age girls' club with a membership of 20. It is called ''The Presbyterian Girls' Guild''. This organization presented the programme at the birthday meeting of the W.M.S. St. Andrews Mission Band presented their minister, Dr. Roxburgh, with a hymn book.

Miss Olive Ross, of Fort McMurray, recently spent a few days in Edmonton. She reports a winter crowded with activity.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. D. A. FOWLIE, 501 WINNIPEG ST., PENTICTON, PRESS SECRETARY

KAMLOOPS-OKANAGAN P.S. — The annual meeting was held in Salmon Arm, April 29th. Miss Laura Pelton and Miss Lily Macarthur were in attendance. An account of the meeting will appear next month.

The Easter Thank-offering of Penticton Auxiliary was held in St. Andrew's Church, April 11th. An interesting report of the Provincial meeting was given, also a short talk on ''What Easter Means to the World To-day.''

Victoria P.S.—Knox Church W.M.S. held its quarterly meeting March 25th. The Home Helpers took an interesting part. The supply work for the year was accepted. Miss Marquette gave a splendid talk on ''The Growing Church.''

The monthly meeting of the Victoria Presbyterial was held March 28th. Miss Jean MacLaren was welcomed as the new leader of Young Women's and C.G.I.T. Groups. A hearty vote of gratitude was extended to Miss Laura Pelton for the splendid work she has done among the Young Women's Societies of the various churches. As a result of her inspiring talks and words of encouragement, new members have been added to a number of Auxiliaries. Miss Pelton also spent some time with Mrs. McQueen, visiting the Chinese women in their homes. A wonderful contribution of children's clothing and other supplies was received from the Gorge W.M.S. and Young Women's Auxiliary. The Presbyterial highly commended Mrs. J. F. McLean for the splendid work she has done throughout this Presbyterial in the past few months. God has indeed blessed her good work. Requests have been received from Alberni and Port Alberni for Sunday School papers, Bibles, hymn books, etc., as the Sunday Schools have had a large increase in membership.

A number of the women of the Presbyterial had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Caroline Macdonald while she was in Victoria on her return trip to Japan.

In April, Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goforth were met on their arrival from China where they have labored for many years. As they continued their journey eastward in Canada, they were followed by the wish that they may enjoy God's richest blessings while in the homeland.

Westminster P.S.—The meeting of Mount Pleasant Auxiliary was held April 1st. The topic for the meeting was the ''Spread of Christianity''. Two visitors were present, Miss Whitby, deaconess, and Miss Milne, a missionary of the China Inland Mission.

At the April meeting of Fairview Auxiliary a selection from the study book was read. Miss Dickman, supervisor of the Chinese kindergarten, spoke briefly, telling how thankful they were that sufficient funds were now on hand for the erection of a Chinese Church.

A great treat was enjoyed by the W.M.S. members and friends in Vancouver, on April 6 and 7, when they heard Dr. and Mrs. Goforth tell of their work in Manchuria. They are pioneers in a double sense having been at work in China proper for over forty years, and now being our first missionaries in Manchuria. The story of their entry into this field and their work there was most inspiring.

Under the auspices of the W.M.S. an interesting lecture was given recently in the Robertson Church. Dr. Esler introduced the speaker, Mr. Eben Harvie, whose subject was ''Temples and Public Buildings'' illustrated by lantern slides.

MANITOBA

Mrs. W. F. Hogarth, 118 N. John St., Fort William, Ont., Press Sec.

BRANDON P.S.—St. Andrew's W.M.S., Brandon, held their Easter Thank-offering April 10th. It was well attended. Rev. J. J. Cowan conducted the devotions and Rev. C. S. Oke, delivered an inspiring address on ''Thanksgiving at Easter.'' Members of the Mission Band presented a pageant, ''The Hope of the Nation.'' Offering was $28.

First Church W.M.S., Brandon, held their Easter Thank-offering April 15th. Rev. C. S. Oke conducted the devotional exercises. Miss Turnbull, a missionary from India, was the special speaker and her spiritual message will long be remembered. Members of Affiliated Societies, ''Heather Club'', Girl Guides and Mission Band, were present and contributed vocal selections. The offering was $60.

Lenore W.M.S. held a special World Day of Prayer meeting in the Church, February 28th. They had the pleasure of having every school child attend as the School Board gave permission to close the school the last hour. They followed the programme in the *Glad Tidings* and had several musical numbers by the C.G.I.T. Groups.

Boissevain Auxiliary, reviewing the work of the winter, feels that God has been with them and although few in number He has blessed the work of their hands. The Thank-offering was a great success. Although the day was cold and stormy, fourteen members were present with an offering of $12.06. The March meeting was held on the 7th, sixteen members and some visitors were present. The programme of the Day of Prayer was followed. The bale sent by this Auxiliary would make many a heart glad.

Superior P.S.—The boys of First Church, Port Arthur, were organized into a Mission Band, April 28th, by Mrs. Delbridge, Presbyterial President, and Mrs. McMahon, Mission Band Superintendent. The Band has been named ''Janet D. Smellie.''

First Church W.M.S., Port Arthur, met March 25th, Mrs. S. J. McCutcheon, President, presided. The Welcome and Welfare Secretary reported 28 calls during the month; Home Helpers monthly collection was $15.00; the Envelope Secretary, 36 new subscribers and 41 added to the *Glad Tidings* circulation. Miss Smellie, Miss Finley and Mrs. W. Elliott were in charge of the study book, ''Couriers of the King.''

Another step of progress was made in connection with First Church, West Fort William, when Mrs. Delbridge addressed the women on the aims and objects of the W.M.S. and organized a new Auxiliary, of eight members, with Mrs. Geo. Atkins as President.

Winnipeg P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering of the W.M.S. of First Church, Winnipeg, was held April 11th. With joy the members welcomed as speakers Dr. and Mrs. J. Goforth, of Manchuria. Presbyterians and other former friends of Dr. and Mrs. Goforth, from the city and district around, were present. Just to see these sainted veterans was an inspiration. The keynote of both Dr. and Mrs. Goforth's addresses was ''That the great need to-day in Manchuria, is not schools, not colleges, not institutions, but the simple teaching and preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ.'' Mrs. Goforth greatly endeared herself to those who were privileged to listen to her inspiring personal message at an informal meeting of women on the Sunday afternoon.

The Stonewall Auxiliary held their Easter Thank-offering in the church. Mrs. Lister, of Winnipeg, gave an interesting paper on British Guiana. Mrs. Flook, Presbyterial President, was also present.

ONTARIO

Mrs. D. Mason McLennan, 167 Roehampton Ave., Toronto, Press Sec.

Annual Meeting

THE sixteenth annual meeting was held in Calvin Church, Toronto, on April 29th, 30th and May 1st, with a registered attendance of 679.

In contrast to the historic old churches, rich in association and memories, in which recent annual meetings have been held, this church is new and modern. But the dignity, the restrained beauty and the spaciousness of the edifice made it a delightful gathering place for the delegates. The kindly welcome extended by the acting President of Toronto Presbyterial, Mrs. D. Hendry, all the various arrangements for comfort and convenience provided by the committee in charge, the many thoughtful services of the members of Calvin Auxiliary, of the minister and of the choir, were deeply appreciated, as were also the gracious words of greeting from the Synod of Toronto and Kingston as voiced by Rev. F. G. Vesey.

Mrs. Rochester presided throughout. With reverent reading of the scriptures and prayer for guidance, led by various Auxiliaries, each session was opened, and with prayer each session closed.

Secretaries of the different departments gave very encouraging reports, adding the touch of personality and of inspiration by ''speaking to'' the printed reports. They told the story of work well done, of trusts fulfilled, of aims achieved. The Corresponding Secretaries of the 24 Presbyterials gave us an intimate view of their work and an understanding of their especial problems. Where some had not achieved all they had desired, there was hope and courage for the future. For those Presbyterials who had, as one Secretary expressed it, entered into the ''Assembly of Sorrow'' through the passing away of loved and valued members, we felt deep and understanding sympathy.

''The Challenge of Opportunity'' was the pageant presented by the Mission Band department, and it was the theme of the entire convention. The pageant brought out simply and clearly our duty to teach our children to know and to help their little brothers and sisters in far-away lands. The flower-like children of the mission circle, and the native costumes worn by those representing boys and girls in foreign lands, made a charming setting for the appropriate songs, recitations and marches.

It was felt that the challenge of opportunity had been answered by seven young women, out-going missionaries, who were presented to the audience by Miss Winifred Ferguson. Each came before us and told with earnestness and simplicity how the call to service had been heard and spoke of her happiness in going out to fill the Lord's command, ''Go ye into all the world.''

Mrs. Strachan in her inspirational address, pointed out that our work can never be at the peak, for we can always go higher. The widest field for development is at the beginning in the Mission Bands. If interest is sustained among the young people, the result will be trained and consecrated women,—so much needed. She also impressed on all the necessity of adhering closely to the constitution, as well as to the aims, of the Society.

In Miss MacMurchy's address, we shared her impressions of her trip to our national missions in Western Canada. She spoke of the influence among their own people of the boys and girls trained in the Indian Schools and School Homes. More intensive training for some would fit them as leaders in the religious work of the communities.

Literature on all phases of our work, and several helpful new publications were brought to our attention by Mrs. Ballantyne. We have indeed a wealth of material at hand.

It was a joy to welcome our veteran missionaries, Dr. Jonathan and Mrs. Goforth, of Manchuria, who had responded to the challenge of opportunity by 42 years of service in the foreign field. The great church was filled to overflowing by the many who were eager to hear their message. Dr. Goforth related how he had "caught the vision" in his student days, how he and his wife were enabled to go to China, and their difficulties in establishing a mission there. He made a stirring appeal for the "lost sheep of the Lord", the heathen peoples of the world. When Mrs. Goforth spoke of her own experiences in which she had again and again had wonderful proof of God's power and will to answer prayer, we caught a glimpse of the faith "that could move mountains."

At the closing session of the meeting we were honored by having with us on the platform a number of our missionaries and mission workers. Dr. Margaret O'Hara spoke briefly, pointing out the need of training our children in missionary interests, and Mrs. John Buchanan led in fervent prayer for the workers and the work.

After the election of the officers, Mrs. D. Inglis Grant reverently committed the Lord's work into their hands at the solemn installation service. The in-coming President, Mrs. W. A. McLennan, accepted office with a few words expressing her earnest desire to fulfil its duties to the best of her ability, and in the strength, and with the guidance of the Master. The Board welcomed as new members, Mrs. John Williams, Mrs. F. R. Reddit, Mrs. J. R. Sanderson, and Mrs. D. Mason McLennan. With real regret we report the withdrawal from the Executive, this year, of Miss Ida Malcolmson, Mrs. G. Tower Fergusson, and Mrs. R. L. McIntyre.

The retiring President, Mrs. W. M. Rochester, who remains on the Board as Vice-President, graciously accepted a beautiful bouquet, presented by a winsome wee girl, little Margaret McLellan. Much appreciation was expressed of Mrs. Rochester's years of service as President, and of her unfailing kindliness and tact.

In the closing words, Mrs. H. C. McKellar issued a challenge, uttered a warning and gave encouragement. She asked that our keynote be Responsibility and Service. She urged us to keep before our eyes the lofty aim for which our organization stands, and to remember that we are co-workers with those who go out in the service.

The invitation of Chatham Presbyterial to hold the next annual meeting in Windsor was accepted.

QUEBEC

MRS. J. D. ANDERSON, 108 ELLICE ST., BEAUHARNOIS, PRESS SECRETARY

Annual Meeting

THE thirteenth annual meeting was held in the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, Montreal, on April 15th, with a good representation from both Presbyterials.

The following excerpts from the report of the Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. S. Reid, give some idea of the advance made during the past year: We now have 51 Auxiliaries with a membership of 1,621, an increase of 83. The Home Helpers report 53 well attended meetings. Seven new groups have been formed, making a total of 37, with a membership of 1,175. Forty have joined as active members and 347 subscribe to the *Glad Tidings.* Givings amounted to $2,306.22. The Young Women's department report 18 Auxiliaries, an increase of 4, with a membership of 298, an increase of 43. Contributions have increased by $90.42. The Girls' Work Secretary reports for Montreal Presbyterial 13 C.G.I.T. Groups and 7 Associated Societies, membership 312, an increase of 52. The Mission Band Secretary tells of increased interest in service, members and givings. There are 29 Bands with a membership of 969, a gain of 79. $1,116.54 was sent to the Provincial Treasurer. One Mission Band has nearly doubled its givings since 1926. Supply department reports a great deal of very fine work, valued at $1,440.02, sent in by Auxiliaries and Associate Societies. Welcome and Welfare tells of 913 visits made and, as a result, 340 persons connected in some way with various congregations, 102 letters have been written and hospitals visited. The Board through its Students Committee have been enabled to get in touch with Presbyterian nurses in training, to the number of 63. Owing to irregular hours it is difficult to do much for them, but Christmas and Easter cards were sent and a few have been able to accept invitations to luncheon and tea. The same attention has been paid to 46 Presbyterian women students at McGill University. In this way a very good work has been started in which others may share by notifying the Board of names of nurses in training or students coming to Montreal. In the Literature Department much progress is also reported. Total sales, $233.72, an increase of $32.45. The Lantern Slides have been shown 30 times during the year. The *Glad Tidings* subscriptions were increased by 82. The Library department has done good work. Supplies have been sent to needy Sunday Schools, the Italian Mission, Tyndale House, Old Brewery Mission, Sailors' Institute, Salvation Army and Huntingdon School Home. The Life Membership Secretary issued 89 certificates, 12 Honorary, 45 Life Memberships, 16 ''In Memoriam'', and 16 Juniors and seals, representing $2,905. The Exchange Department has not received many new papers, but those that were, are excellent. More use of this department is urged and contributions solicited for circulation.

Following the reports, a brief ''In Memoriam'' service for those members who had been called ''home'' during the year was led by Mrs. G. W. Grier. At the afternoon session, Miss Sinclair, Corresponding Secretary, read her summary of the year's work. This was followed by the President's address which dealt more fully with the same subject and included a fervent plea that the young people of our various Junior branches should be taught the meaning of reverence, particularly in approaching the Throne of Grace in prayer, with an excellent explanation of how to prepare for such a service.

Rev. J. B. Maclean, D.D., of Huntingdon, brought greetings from the Synod of Montreal and Ottawa, of which he is the Moderator. He spoke of the organized work of women in the early church and of Paul's deep appreciation and gratitude for it, and how he urged his ''yoke fellow'' to ''help those women who labored with me in the gospel.'' If Paul were writing now, he would probably say, ''Get those women to help you'' for wherever there is a W.M.S. Auxiliary, there a fire is kindled of missionary interest and all who gather round it are warmed and cheered to continue in the great work.

Then followed an address by Mrs. D. Strachan, President of the Council. Her topic was ''Our Task, Finished and Unfinished,'' in which she emphasized the fact that owing to the growth and expansion of the work of the Society, both at home and abroad, there were many calls for trained deaconess service, medical missionary service, and the crying need for equipment and buildings had to be put aside, owing to lack of funds and helpers with which to meet them. Although the Society had exceeded its allocation, there was still great need for further missionary effort on the part of every member.

In the evening, Rev. G. H. Donald, D.D., pastor of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul, and Moderator of the Presbytery, gave a magnificent address on the topic ''The Church, Which is His Body.''

Dr. A. S. Grant, D.D., General Secretary of the Board of Missions, spoke of the work in the West, and of the need for more workers and better equipment for those already there.

Rev. A. S. Reid pronounced the benediction and Mrs. Sharp, President of the Provincial, declared the annual meeting concluded.

Changes in officers are: 6th Vice-President, Mrs. R. M. Cream, Quebec City: Treasurer, Mrs. Robert J. Bell, Outremont; Home Helpers

Secretary, Mrs. O. R. Campbell, Montreal; Young women and 'teen-age girls, Mrs. F. S. MacKenzie, Montreal; Exchange, Mrs. A. G. Walker, Windsor Mills.

SASKATCHEWAN

MRS. E. G. D. MACEACHERN, 1934 VICTORIA AVE., REGINA, PRESS SECRETARY

MOOSE JAW P.S.—On the occasion of the Easter Thank-offering held in Knox Church, Moose Jaw, Mrs. H. R. Horne gave a very helpful talk on the subject, ''Thanksgiving.''

St. Paul's, Moose Jaw, held their Thank-offering services at the home of Mrs. W. M. Oliver. Both attendance and givings were very satisfactory. The Mission Band held a sale of candy, the proceeds of which amounted to $20. Mrs. Baker entertained the children of the Mission Band and their mothers one afternoon recently. It was a very happy afternoon.

Prince Albert-Saskatoon P.S.—Prince Albert W.M.S. report that at the March meeting, the delegate to the Provincial annual meeting gave a most interesting and encouraging report.

Kindersley reports that though their membership is scattered, and distances great, yet a keen interest is taken in the W.M.S. They have a membership of about 17.

Coleville W.M.S. reports a very satisfactory Day of Prayer held in conjunction with other local churches. The Mission Band at this point is active.

Mrs. R. H. A. Haslam gave a most interesting address on the ''Women of India,'' at the April meeting of the W.M.S., of St. Andrew's Church, Saskatoon.

Rev. S. Hill gave an illustrated address on the ''Bhil Field'' at the Thank-offering service of Parkview Church W.M.S., Saskatoon. The ''Measure Girls'' took part in the programme.

Regina P.S.—The Easter Thank-offering service was held in First Church, Regina, Rev. S. Farley presiding. Mrs. G. M. Bell gave an illustrated lecture on ''Formosa.''

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Manitoba

Superior P.S.—''Janet D. Smellie'' M.B. (boys), First Ch., Port Arthur.

Ontario

Sarnia P.S.—''Boy's Own'' M.B., Strathroy. **Toronto P.S.**—Oakwood M.B., Oakwood Ch., Toronto. **Hamilton P.S.**—M.B., Knox Ch., Burlington; ''Sunshine'' M.B., Beamsville.

British Columbia

Westminster P.S.—Kitsilano Ch. M.B., Vancouver; ''Wilson'' M.B., Main St. Ch., Vancouver.

Life Members

Ontario Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBERS

Glengarry P.S.—Mrs. K. J. Sproule, Martintown Aux. **Lindsay P.S.**—Mrs. G. H. Mathie, Mrs. L. McGregor, Mrs. F. Crichton, St. Andrew's Aux., Lindsay; Miss B. McFadyen, Knox Aux., Glenarm; Miss L. Birchard, Miss A. McMillan, Beaverton Y.W. Aux.; Mrs. A. J. Falls, Knox Aux., Bobcaygeon; Miss J. McPhail, St. John's Aux., Port Perry.

HONORARY MEMBER

Presented to Mrs. R. L. McIntyre by St. Paul's Ch. Aux., Toronto.

Note.—The Honorary Certificate given to Mrs. Chas. H. Thorburn, of Ottawa, and reported April, 1929, was donated by the Presbyterial of Ottawa.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Stratford P.S.—Anna J. Davidson (5th payment), Betty M. Linton, (blue seal), M.B., Mitchell. **Toronto P.S.**—Florence Gairdner, Jean Sterling, St. Paul's Ch., M.B., Toronto; Helen Birris, Francis Birris, Aileen Alteman, Francis Peer, Billie Moorshead, all blue seals, Brampton Ch. M.B.

IN MEMORIAM SUBSCRIPTIONS

In Loving Memory of:

Sarnia P.S.—Mrs. John M. Cameron, by her daughter, Allison Cameron, Strathroy Aux.; Miss Kathryn Gordon Cameron, by her sister, Allison Cameron and members of Y.W. Aux., Strathroy Aux. **Stratford P.S.**—Mrs. William Machan, by her daughters, Mrs. J. M. Empey and Miss J. Machan, Mitchell Aux. **Toronto P.S.**—Miss Annie Wallis, to Dovercourt Road Ch. Aux., by Mrs. J. Hill; Mrs. Margaret Cockburn Morrison, to her daughters, Mrs. Ballantyne, Mrs. Simpson, Miss Morrison, by Davenport Rd. Ch. Aux., Toronto.

Quebec Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBERS

Montreal P.S.—Mrs. R. C. Baird, Athelstan Aux.; Mrs. James McCance, St. Andrew's Hemmingford Aux.; Mrs. Robert Leith, Outremont Aux.; Miss Iva F. Muir, Stanley Y.W. Aux. **Quebec P.S.**—Mrs. W. G. Waddell, St. Andrew's Aux., Quebec.

HONORARY MEMBERS

Montreal P.S.—Rev. George Whillans, D.D., presented by Miss E. Elliott, Georgetown Aux.; Mrs. William Aiken, First Ch. Aux., Montreal; Mrs. D. W. Morison, by ''A Friend'', Beauharnois Aux.; Mrs. George White Smith, Home Helpers Dept., Knox-Crescent Ch. Aux., Montreal.

JUNIOR MEMBERS

Margaret McRae Severn (gold seal), Elspeth Patricia Scott, Knox-Crescent Ch. M.B., Montreal; Sadie Smith, ''Sunbeam'' M.B., Maisonneuve.

IN MEMORIAM SUBSCRIPTIONS

In Loving Memory of:

Montreal P.S.—Miss Rebecca Renwick, by Miss E. M. Renwick, Knox-Crescent Ch. Aux., Montreal; Agnes Lucile Cross, ''Light-bearers'' M.B., Stanley Ch., Montreal; Miss Hannah D. Sever, Riverfield and

Howick Aux.; Mr. James Brown and Mrs. James Brown, by their daughters, Miss M. B. Brown and Miss Jessie Brown, Knox-Crescent Ch. Aux., Montreal; Mrs. A. L. Forbes, MacVicar Memorial Ch. Aux., Montreal.

Entered into Rest

MACKENZIE.—On April 13th, Miss Nellie Mackenzie, a faithful and beloved member of the "Janet Geggie" Auxiliary, and for many years deaconess in Parkdale Presbyterian Church, Toronto.

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Editorial

"THE King Honors Women Abroad for Fine Missionary Work," is the arresting heading which appeared lately in a large city daily. With interest aroused we read on to find that all the missionaries whose names appear in the recent honors list are women. Five have received the Kaiser-I-Hind medal and two the M.B.E.

"The veteran recipient of the medal is Dr. Eleanor Isabel Dodson, a Shrewsbury woman, who went out to Dera Ghazi Khan in the north west provinces of India in 1902 for the Church Missionary Society. Since 1909 she has been in charge of the C.M.S. Zenana Hospital at Multan in the Punjab. She comes from a missionary family, for a brother is a medical missionary in Persia, and her sister, Miss G. M. Dodson, works for the C.M.S. in the united provinces.

Industrial work, especially in the development of the lace industry for women, is the public service for which Miss Blanche M. Tweedie of the Wesleyan Missionary Society has received recognition. At Ikkadu, about 30 miles from Madras, she conducts a fine industrial school. Three years ago this was visited by Mahatma Gandhi and his wife, and what he saw there gained his outspoken approbation. In 1924, Miss Tweedie was asked by the Madras Government to make a survey of industrial work for women. She also made a world tour, visiting China, Japan, the Philippines and U.S.A. in connection with inquiries regarding markets for their products. She is a West Hartlepool woman.

The Kaiser-I-Hind medal has also been bestowed on Dr. Alice L. Ernst of the Women's Union Missionary Society of America for her work at the Ackerman Hoyt Memorial Hospital at Jhansi, united provinces; on Miss Margaret Paterson, the Scottish missionary at Sialkot; and on Miss Hilda Gould, head of the Women's Community connected with the Cambridge Mission to Delhi. Miss Gould went out to India from Farnham, Surrey, in 1906, and has done most valuable work in the hospital and other departments of the community work which is supported jointly by the Cambridge Mission and the S.P.G.

Miss Gertrude Nettleship, who has received the M.B.E., went out to Ceylon under the Wesleyan deaconess order in 1897 from the Sheffield area. She is a trained nurse, and at Tuttoor in the Jaffna Peninsula of Ceylon she has founded and developed a fine evangelistic and medical mission among the Tamil people. Recent developments of the work for which the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society is now responsible, have been the training of young Tamil women of good class who labor among the women of the district. Two of these girls have already taken over a small station and released a European missionary.

A Ceylon missionary, Miss Lena A. Chapman, has also received an M.B.E. She is an old Kingston high school girl, and it was her experience in doing slum work in Chelsea which led her to offer herself to the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society. She arrived in India thirty years ago to take charge of the Hillwood College. In those days the school consisted of one building and twenty-one children. To-day it is a fine four block institution with accommodation for 151 daughters of chiefs.''

In Dr. Alice L. Ernst our W.M.S. is particularly interested for she it was who asked for the loan of our missionary nurse, Miss Simpson, to the Nurses Training School at Jhansi, which was without a Superintendent. Our Society was more than pleased to grant this request for a period of months, and in acknowledging our help, Dr. Ernst said, ''We are glad and thankful that Miss Simpson could come for this length of time, and appreciate your good will and help more than we can say. From the founding of your mission here by our dear friend, Dr. Wilkie, most cordial and mutually helpful relations have existed between us, and we are gratified that these relations still exist.''

Years ago these women who are to-day honored, chose their vocations, and undoubtedly they took the maximum, not the minimum preparation required. The wisdom of this has been justified for to-day they are masters of their work and have attained positions of great responsibility and have been crowned with national honor.

Known to us at the present moment are a number of young women who are choosing church work as their vocation. Only recently the Candidates Secretary reported the names of twelve splendidly equipped young women who, believing that God has a purpose and a place in life for them, have made application for service in the work and institutions of our church. In the list are a student in training; a returned missionary who had hoped to go back; four nurses, two for overseas; two fully trained, well-equipped deaconesses; two teachers for Indian Residential Schools; one with good organization ability and experience; and one University graduate with an honor B.A. in mathematics and physics.

At this season, especially, our thoughts turn to the hundreds of young people who, clasping in their hands hard-earned certificates, are gazing, some eagerly, some joyously, some wistfully, into the future, and wondering what vocation they should choose. This is the golden opportunity for the older women to direct the attention of these young girls to the many worth while vocations open to young women within their church. There are overseas missionaries—medical, educational, evangelistic; national missionaries—deaconesses, welcome and welfare workers, superintendents of Girls' School Homes, teachers in Indian Residential Schools, nurses in pioneer hospitals, church secretaries, social service workers, and places without number for leaders in the work among children and young people. No joy is to be compared to that which comes to the worker who realizes that she is engaged in the work for which she has been fitted and which God desires her to do.

A LEGACY of $300 from Miss Martha Gemmill, of Sarnia, left for work in South China, has brought great joy to Dr. Jessie MacBean, of the Hackett Medical College, Canton, China. With this money Dr. MacBean is going to equip her new operative delivery room. They have had such very poor quarters and no good equipment. Now they have two rooms and tables for normal cases and a good operating room for abnormal cases. They still need a sterilizer for water and instruments, and Dr. MacBean is hoping to squeeze one out of the $300 plus the very favorable exchange she received. The things are all being purchased locally to obviate the payment of high duty and exchange. We agree with Dr. MacBean that Miss Gemmill would love to have her money used to help the mothers and babies .

Dr. Jessie MacBean and staff at Maternity Clinic, Hackett Medical College

MISS CUDDY, the efficient Superintendent of the "Hugh Waddell Memorial Hospital", Canora, Sask., was warmly welcomed at the meeting of the Council Executive just before the weekly sessions were discontinued for the summer. Speaking of the hospital, Miss Cuddy stated that the success of their work depends on the staff, and she is proud of her staff. The medical reports also speak of the excellence of the professional service rendered by the nurses. The five ward helpers are doing an exceptional piece of work. Four of them have charge of some thirty patients, and one, a girl of seventeen, is in charge of the maternity nursery and cares for five or six babies. They are forming a marvellous link between the foreign community and the hospital. Formerly the foreigners lived in a country of bewilderment, and were afraid to take medicine. This fear has been removed through the ward helpers who can talk to their own people in their own language, and take time to show them through the hospital before they are admitted or when they leave, thus reducing their fear and strengthening their interest in and loyalty to the institution.

THE fifth annual Music Festival of the Vegreville Inspectorate was held in Vegreville on May 23rd. Despite the untimely blizzard which blocked the roads and held up traffic, all the schools listed as contestants, with the exception of one in the hinterland, put in an appearance. It was a gala day for Vegreville and the Ukrainian women with bright colored silk shawls on their heads, the children, many of them arrayed in all the vivid colours—yellow, red, purple, bright rose and orange, and the quaint dress of the country people made an effective picture. The Women's Institute provided dinner and supper for about four hundred children from out of town. The townspeople helped with the provisions and the Board of Trade supplied ice cream cones. No one in Vegreville was idle that day, and a happy congenial spirit pervaded.

The action chorus and dramatization were very fine, and the school teachers received great praise from Mr. Barford, the accomplished musician from Edmonton, who acted as adjudicator, and also gave valuable criticism and advice in voice culture.

In all three prairie provinces the Spring Music Festival is put on by the public schools. It is a valuable institution, and gives the people a wonderful opportunity to develop their talents besides providing a great treat for the people.

Among the list of winners in the contest were two pupils of our Girls' School Home in Vegreville: Grace Bishop, who stood second in solo work, and Mona Sheristianka, one of our Ukrainian girls, who won first prize in the soprano part in a duet.

THE Chinese community and the Sabbath School of Cooke's Church, Toronto, have reason to be extremely proud of the standing attained by two young Chinese girls in a recent examination. The W.C.T.U. offered prizes through the Sabbath Schools, for scholars obtaining the highest marks on the ''Scientific Temperance lessons'' examination given through the *Northern Messenger.* Two teen-age Chinese girls, Grace Mark and Katie Wong, stood specially high, the former making the full 200 mark, and the latter 190. Beautiful necklaces were presented to them through the Toronto District Union. Books were also presented by the Central Union, and Bibles by the Province. In addition to these gifts, awards were also made by the Sunday School to all competing scholars. One was obtained by a young Chinese boy.

A DELIGHTFUL surprise awaited Miss Lily Macarthur on her return from the West to her port work at Quebec. So well did everybody keep the secret and so cleverly was everything arranged, that only when the key was turned in the lock did she notice the sign ''Presbyterian Church in Canada'', and the joyful truth dawned on her that at last her wish had been granted and a Presbyterian Immigration Office at the port of Quebec was a reality.

Already two weddings have taken place within its walls. The first was that of a little Dutch girl whose fiance from Hamilton was there to meet her when the ship arrived. An interpreter was necessary and he and Miss Macarthur were witnesses. The workers are going to send a simple gift as a souvenir of the first wedding in the new office.

OUR members will rejoice to know that our President, Mrs. Daniel Strachan, is having a much needed holiday. Accompanied by her son, Mr. Ian Strachan, she sailed on June 21st for a two month's visit to England and the Continent.

ALL those who hold in loving remembrance the late Mrs. Robert Ross, for twenty-four years President of St. Andrew's Church W.M.S., Lindsay, for six years President of Lindsay Presbyterial, later a Vice-President of the Council Executive and Secretary for China for years, will learn with joy that on Sunday, June 29th, a beautiful memorial window was dedicated to her memory, in St. Andrew's Church, King Street, Toronto. The window pictures Mary sitting at the feet of Christ, and is very beautiful in its subdued coloring. It was given by Mr. Ross and his daughters. Rev. Stuart Parker, D.D., dedicated the window, at the same time paying tribute to the Christian service of Mrs. Ross, and her calm, serene, unhurried life—a type so much needed in the world to-day.

ADVANCE announcement that the new study books for 1930-31 will be ready for September 1st, will give a real thrill of joy to the hearts of our members. ''Ambassadors of Good Will'' is the title of the Auxiliary book, and ''Over the Seas to China'' is the name chosen for the study book for Girls' Organizations, Young People and Sabbath School teachers. These books are on our own work and are being prepared by Mrs. Lereine Ballantyne. Fuller announcement will appear in the September issue.

The Council Executive will resume its weekly meetings in the Board Room of Knox College on Tuesday, September 9th.

Designated to Service in Japan

AN impressive service was held by the Presbytery of Guelph, in Knox Church, Acton, on Tuesday evening, June 10th, when they met to designate Miss Mary E. Anderson, to work under the W.M.S. of the Presbyterian Church in Canada among the Koreans in Japan. The service was in the hands of the Moderator of the Presbytery, Rev. P. Mathieson, and the opening exercises were conducted by the minister of the congregation, Rev. H. L. Bennie.

After the Moderator had stated the purpose of the meeting, he called upon the Clerk, who narrated Miss Anderson's qualifications, stating that she received her early schooling in Acton public school and continuation school, and later attended Guelph College and Faculty of Education. She taught school in Acton for eight years, and on the death of her mother, she entered the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home in Toronto, from which she graduated last April and having offered herself for mission work, she was appointed by the Women's Missionary Society to work among the Koreans in Japan.

Miss Mary Ellen Anderson,
To Japan

After this statement, the Moderator put the prescribed questions to the missionary designate. Dr. A. J. McGillivray offered the designation prayer and the Moderator, in the name of the Presbytery, dedicated the missionary to her work.

Mrs. D. Strachan, President of the Women's Missionary Society, addressed the newly designated missionary, and presented her with a Scofield Bible on behalf of the Council Executive. Rev. A. C. Stewart, former minister of the congregation, addressed Miss Anderson on behalf of the Presbytery. Rev. M. B. Davidson, on behalf of the Presbytery, presented Miss Anderson with a beautiful wardrobe suitcase; Mrs. Burnett, Vice-President of the Presbyterial, presented her with a portable typewriter; Miss A. Collier and Mrs. J. Dobie presented her with a Life Membership pin in the Women's Missionary Society, from the Y.W.A. of the local Church; and Rev. H. L. Bennie made the presentation of a beautiful Jaeger rug and fountain pen set from the session and the congregation. Miss Anderson also received a Testament in Korean from the Bible Society. The services closed with a hymn and the benediction by the Moderator.

Miss Anderson sails for Japan, September 4th, on the *Empress of Japan.*

The Magic Magnet

MISS OLIVE ROSS

I had rather a novel experience the other day, when a man arrived just before six o'clock in the evening after coming a distance of forty miles on the speeder over the railway track. The day before, he had the misfortune to get dust of steel filings in his eye, and it was most painful. Those at hand rendered best aid possible and were able to give some relief, but there seemed to be a few grains still left in which were causing great agony and discomfort. He looked as if he were in intense pain when he arrived and without much questioning I proceeded to remove the particles.

First of all I cast my eye on the wall where I have had a magnet hanging for the last two or three years, so as to be ready for any emergency, and to my dismay the magnet had disappeared, and for the life of me I could not think where it was. Meantime, I thought of the gramaphone needles which I have on several occasions rescued from the cracks in the floor whenever an accident befell them. Without any hesitation I took a couple which were still magnetized and held them straight in my fingers and drew them gently before the left eye. The poor man gave an awful jump, and I believe he thought the needles had struck his eye, but, on the other hand it was the small particle of steel which gave him pain in leaving. I never saw such a thankful face. He seemed so relieved to think we had been able to accomplish the operation successfully.

Then he said there was still a piece in the right eye. I could not see it with the naked eye, nor with a magnifying glass. So I tried the same operation. While it did not hurt this time, he said he had ease, so I scraped the needles across my hand to see if I could find the particle, and lo and behold, there it was, just as minute as a particle of dust. It clung to the magnetized needle when I placed the needles over it to show the man. I was happier than if I had taken a city, to think I had given that poor man such relief, and was fully repaid by the look of joy which came over his face.

Since then I have found the magnet, for it was placed in a box, when removed from the wall while the place was being calsomined. It is back on its old nail, and there it must stay, till further orders.

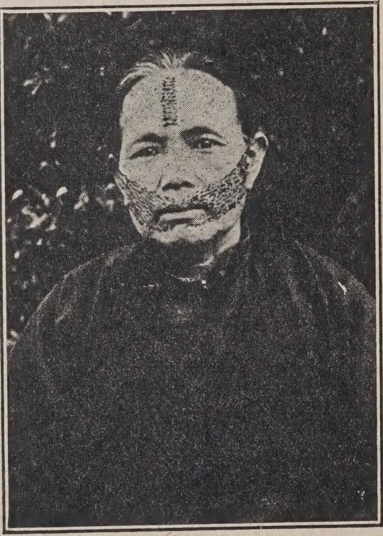
LANTERN SLIDES

A new set of slides showing pictures of ''National Work and Churches and Institutions of the Presbyterian Church in Canada'' has been sent to the Lantern Slide Secretaries of the various provinces. Will those desiring slides apply to the Secretary of their province.

The Annual Meeting of the Formosan W.M.S.

MRS. BELLA C. M. KOA

WE would like to thank the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada who sent the love and greetings to our Formosa Missionary Society. I read your letter to all the women at our Annual Meeting, which was held on the twenty-seventh of November, and gave them your greetings. The meeting was held at the Church across the river which Mrs. Strachan visited when here. We asked Mrs. Gauld to speak a few words, also to show her gold medal, which Mrs. Graham brought out to her from the Canadian W.M.S. We also asked one of our pastors to speak. At the election of officers, we used ballots this time. All of the officers were returned to office.



Chi-oang, the savage woman from the east coast, who has gone back to tell the gospel story among the Formosan Hill tribes.

That little church was crowded that day. Some couldn't get in, so they sat at the open court behind the church, listening. The next annual meeting is to be held at Sek-Khau.

During the afternoon session, I asked the two women who had been studying for Bible women to come up to the platform and be introduced to the audience. They both went to work at the beginning of the year, one is working at a new station, another one is the savage woman who came from the East Coast. Since her return, she has already gone to several villages to preach the Gospel to her own tribe there, and also to another tribe. In a recent letter she says that the savages are quite glad to listen to her message. I also received a letter from the preacher at Karenko, who is very much pleased with the work of this Bible-woman, whose name is Chi-oang. At one place, the chief told his people to stand and bow to her before she spoke. At another place, the folks were out hunting when she arrived, so that evening, only thirty attended. At another place, for three days, about a hundred and fifty were in attendance. This is the first instance of a savage woman telling the Gospel among the Formosan hill tribes, so far as I know. Please pray that she may have the power of the Holy Spirit so that souls will be won for Christ. I have asked the women to pray for her often.

At present we have four Bible women working. Last year the contribution was about 77 yen. In all we have over 400 members.

During the year I visited about thirty churches, and also went out into the village telling the old, old story. Many heard for the first time. I have also visited in the homes of a number of Middle School boys. May God bless our work here in this island.

We never forget our Mother Society, which always remembers us and prays for us. We wish to thank her.

Through the Interior with Miss Pelton

A FIVE MONTHS' REVIEW

JANUARY 12th to April 26th was spent at the coast. The intensive programme among the young women was continued in the cities of Victoria and Vancouver. Three full months were given to this. In addition to the work among the young women of St. Andrew's, St. Paul's and the Gorge, I addressed the Gorge Sunday School, an Associate Society, led discussion at one of the Auxiliaries, and addressed a public meeting in St. Andrew's and the Chinese Auxiliary, also made several visits to the Chinese Mission and spent one afternoon with Mrs. Macqueen visiting some of the Chinese homes.

January 28th, attended the annual meeting of Westminster Presbyterial, addressed the afternoon meeting and the evening meeting which was specially for young people. Their annual was one of the best I have ever attended. It was a positive delight, full of life, activity, progress of thought, sane discussion, lovely bits of humor and a spirit which was truly Christian.

February 13th and 14th, British Columbia Provincial annual, attended all sessions.

February 16th. Commenced the Lecture Course in Westminster Presbyterial. For four weeks had eight groups, giving eight lectures a week. A number of the W.M.S. women attended these groups, also some of the ministers. At Central Church, where we had the second Y. P. group, on Wednesday evenings we had the prayer meeting also—some fifty men and women.

In this first set, the groups were in the following churches: Mount Pleasant Y. W. Girls' Missionary Club, the members of the senior Auxiliary, *Monday evening;* Mount Pleasant, *Sunday evening,* also with Mrs.

Ledingham's class of young women; *Tuesday evening,* Kerrisdale. There is no Y. W. organization here, but Mrs. Thompson sponsored this group, and any success which may have attended it is due largely to her efforts and to the efforts of two or three young women who grew interested. This group was small and at times somewhat discouraging, although the personnel was delightful. For the last lecture we had a splendid attendance, and to our surprise, at the close of the meeting, the young women came and asked for another meeting. The result of this request was a banquet given to the girls by the Senior Auxiliary, and after the banquet a Young Women's Auxiliary was organized. We were delighted about this because it came from the girls themselves and they went into it after hearing some plain truths as to what was expected from them. *Thursday evening,* Robertson. Here we had a very fine Y. W. under the very capable and consecrated leadership of Miss Dunlop. There was practically 100 per cent attendance of the Y. W. membership for the four lectures, and a great number of the women attended all of them. In fact the lecture hall was filled for three of the lectures. I was intensely interested in this group, the President was a young Japanese University student, a charming girl and an excellent President. *Friday evening,* addressed the young people of St. Andrew's and St. Stephen's, North Vancouver. The attendance was not very large but we had some very fine young men and women. The last evening was a wonderful meeting, but then one can not make things go on ''last'' meetings, but one can seize the opportunity and make the most of it.

On Monday and Wednesday evenings, the two groups in Vancouver of the young people. To these groups the need of our church's budget was presented, and the opportunity which was theirs to assist in the larger programme of our church's work placed before them.

A list of books and magazines considered useful and instructive for missionary reading and study, was placed in the hands of the officers of every group and organization to which the lectures were given.

On subsequent dates a conference was held with the Young Women's Auxiliaries. To me these were exceedingly helpful. Here the girls talked to me, and we had some real discussion. All responded to the study method, and in all the groups a real interest was evinced in missionary work. The Robertson girls suggested a rally for all the Y.W.A.'s. This was taken up with the Y.W. Secretary of the Presbyterial, and when I left plans were under way for a banquet the first week in May. It was to be a purely social affair, then in the fall they hoped to have a rally, and an interchange of ideas for their winter's work. Miss Macarthur spoke when in Vancouver to the newly organized Kerrisdale Auxiliary and we left them in good spirits, and ready to do their share to make the big banquet a success.

We had groups in New Westminster, one, the Y.P.A., the other, a

Young Women's Guild in Knox, Sapperton. We had very few young men in this group, but a lovely lot of young women. The Knox, Sapperton group was not large, but the attendance was consistent, and the meetings were exceptionally well arranged.

Again I cannot refrain from comment on the kindness and response from the young women. Practically the whole time I was in Vancouver my room was kept fragrant with flowers given by the various groups. We cannot close our eyes to the fact, that it requires some planning and organization to work up attendance among young women for anything of a missionary nature, but I do think that we have had sufficient evidence to encourage us to a belief that young women can be interested in the work of missions. For my part I have enjoyed the work, and the longer contact with the young women, more than anything I have done, and I am sure that among them lies our most immediate need, and our biggest possibility.

The outside Auxiliaries visited, and addressed—Murrayville, Chilliwack, which was a public evening meeting, Hammond and Haney. In the city I spoke to Main Street Mission Ladies' Aid Associate, Livingstone Auxiliary and Mission Band. Kerrisdale Auxiliary was visited for informal conference. This was good, with free discussion on programme, and what should be the attitude of the Auxiliary toward the young women, in an endeavor to enlist their interest.

Three public meetings were addressed, one in Mount Pleasant, Easter Thank-offering, Central Thank-offering. These were announced by the Secretary of the Presbyterial as public meetings, and would be in lieu of a visitation of Auxiliaries. Both were splendid meetings. The third was in St. Stephen's, New Westminster, for Westminster, Sapperton and Edmonds, an excellent meeting. At St. Stephen's and Central we had a good representation of men. I also addressed Central Y.W.A. Thank-offering meeting.

April 26th, Miss Macarthur and I left for Kamloops for the itinerary through the Okanagan and the Kootenays.

April 27th, Miss Macarthur spoke at the morning service at Kamloops, and I addressed the evening service, and the Sunday School. Monday evening we addressed the C.G.I.T. at Kamloops.

April 29th, the Okanagan Presbyterial annual at Salmon Arm. There was a splendid delegation, over eighteen from Armstrong, and five from Canoe, where we have a small congregation which is really the result of the effort of one woman starting an Auxiliary. It was a delightful gathering. They entered into a free and easy discussion, all in a kindly and loving spirit.

May 1st, evening at Penticton, at which we both spoke. It was a small meeting, and they do feel so cut off from everywhere down there. I do not think there is a branch of our W.M.S. which is so isolated from other branches, and from their centre. The work of the congregation has progressed since the last visit there. The Auxiliary is about the same, but they are in earnest, and when one considers the loneliness of their position, with all the attending difficulties, I take off my hat to them that they keep alive at all.

May 4th, Miss Macarthur spoke at evening service in Trail. I was in New Denver for the morning service, took a class in Sunday School also. They were without a Student on this Sunday, so it worked rather well for them to have some sort of service. New Denver is one of the prettiest places I have ever been. There is almost a sacredness in the exceptional beauty of its location, and this beauty has made its stamp upon the people. Our Auxiliary is very small, and it should be considerably larger, because there are the women in the congregation.

Was motored to Slocan City for the evening service. It is one of the three appointments in connection with New Denver, so of course we had to take the whole service. Here again was beauty, and its influence upon the people. We had a perfectly lovely service. These two places seemed like two little gems of our church dropped far from the world, very much alone, but so happy, so tranquil, and so responsive to any attention from outside.

May 5th, an afternoon meeting at Nelson at which Miss Macarthur and I spoke.

May 6th and 7th, annual meeting of Kootenay Presbyterial. At the evening session Tuesday, they had a gathering of the young women. This was under the Young Women's Auxiliary of Cranbrook Church. A delightful group of older girls, and a treat to speak to them. Miss Macarthur addressed the afternoon session on Wednesday, and took the installation service. It was a beautiful installation and dedication. There was an evening session also, at which I had been asked to speak.

This closed the itinerary through the interior.

Two Weddings—A Contrast

MISS ISABEL MCCONNELL

A FEW weeks ago, on a Monday afternoon, a young Hindu walked into the consulting room of the hospital, he was very gaily dressed with a very bright pink brocaded coat, white trousers, and a bright orange turban. I noticed his shoes were not in keeping with the rest of his outfit. In his hand he carried a curved knife, two little velvet bags and two more common bags. Seeing this outfit I knew that his wedding day must be at hand and my curiosity was aroused as to what he carried in these different bags. I asked his brother, who was a regular visitor at the hospital, what was in the bags so of course he opened them and all I saw was some dirty sugar, raisins, and different kinds of nuts.

I understand that the bride-to-be also carries similar bags. After seeing the bags I discovered that the boy's errand to the hospital was to invite me to his wedding which was taking place next day.

The next afternoon I took the three nurses off to the bazaar with me to see this Hindu wedding but was very much disappointed when I heard that I would not see the bride. When I arrived at the place where the wedding was to take place, I saw the groom mounted on a gaily decorated horse and he was draped with very bright colored cloth, the predominant color being orange. His face was covered with a mask made of celluloid and bound with tinsel. I asked him to lift the mask so that I could take his picture but he did not comply. As the sun began to go down the groom was lifted off his horse and partly carried to the house where the bride was. Two women were standing behind a screen and when he came before them they threw some seeds, rice, etc., over him, and then hearing an order from the priest, who, by the way, was standing on the top of a roof of an old temple, the groom proceeded forward into the house. Every few seconds the priest issued another order and the boy went a few steps further in, until, when the sun went down, the final order was given and the bride and groom clasped hands and remained so until the priest came and unloosed them. When they told me that was all there was to it I came away quite disappointed as I thought I was going to see a very grand affair. I learned afterwards that the girl was only eleven years old and when a few days later she came to the hospital for medicine I saw for myself that she was only a child. The brother of the groom presented us with cocoanuts which, to them, was a valuable gift as the cocoanut is one of the things they use much in their worship.

Two weeks ago I was invited to another wedding that was going to take place in the W.M.S. bungalow, in Jobat. When I came in from the hospital on the morning of the wedding I hardly recognized the dining room. It was all gaily decorated with mango leaves and plants and some pretty blossoms from the gold mohr tree. As the dining room furniture had not yet been opened up it was not necessary to move it. The place looked as if there was really going to be a wedding. On this particular day we had a half holiday as the bride happened to be one of my nurses and of course the hospital staff wanted to be there. The wedding was to be at four o'clock and before that hour crowds of people began to gather from the bazar and from some of the villages as they wanted to see a Christian wedding.

The bell rang and then the Jobat people escorted the bride from her home and she waited in my dafter until the Chicheniya people escorted Victor Master to the bungalow where he went in and took his place under the bridal arch. As the bride walked in three of the girls from Amkhut sang a wedding hymn in Hindi. The bride looked very pretty and shy as she walked in with her father and mother who stood with her. She was wearing a very pretty white brocaded sari bound with silver, a wreath and veil. This surprised me very much as I had never seen an Indian wear a wreath and veil before. The wedding ceremony was just the same as one would be at home. As soon as the wedding was over the bride and groom, the bride's family, and the missionaries were all decorated with garlands.

The groom, Victor Master, was our Pandit when we first came to India. He is now teaching in the little school at Chicheniya and doing evangelistic work too. Last year he put in a request for a nurse or compounder for Chicheniya. At Christmas time when I was in Bombay the engagement was announced. When I heard about it I concluded that Victor Master was going to solve his own problem and marry the nurse instead of waiting for Council's decision in the matter.

As I saw the crowds of people sitting in that room and on all verandahs on the day of the wedding I wondered what thoughts must be passing through their minds. They must have realized that Christianity does make a big difference in the life of the individual as well as changing all his customs. I prayed that their hearts might be touched even as they listened, and that our actions too, would speak to them. One does so long to see these dear dark souls won for Jesus whom we love and serve.

Former Pupils in Our School Homes who are Making Good

LAST autumn the Superintendent of one of our School Homes in western Canada received a letter from a young school teacher who had been in the Girls' Home in 1925-26. She is now teaching in the Peace River district. She was a very fine type of young girlhood. From the very first she took an interest in Sunday School work, and every Sunday afternoon she would gather the children round her and read Bible stories or Sunday School papers to them. She also taught them the Sunday School lesson and the catechism.

Her early training had not been along these lines and when she went home for her vacation she did not find it easy to do as she had been taught in the School Home. Her people laughed at her, mocked and jeered at her, but she continued to do as her Superintendent had taught her.

She had to borrow money from the Government to enable her to go to Normal School, but has paid that back, and also met the expense of an operation which she had to undergo shortly after she started to teach.

She has written the Superintendent asking how much she owed the School Home and what interest would be charged on her old debt. The Superintendent replied at once, stating what her account was, and assuring her that there was no charge for interest. Since that time two letters have been received containing money orders. Another payment and her debt will be cancelled. The Superintendent says of the incident, ''It is lovely to get such appreciative and grateful letters.''

Another young girl was eight years in the School Home. She is now living in the district to the north, and is attending a high school near her home. This girl won the prize many years in succession for making the most progress in school. She also won a silver medal for taking the highest marks in French I of that year.

Since leaving the Home she has been the means of a Sunday School starting in the town where she now lives. She is also President of the Junior Red Cross up there, and presides as well as any Canadian girl could do. In fact, one lady said she never would have thought that a young Ukrainian girl could do so well, and added, ''Of course it was her training in the School Home that made her so efficient.'' She is also President of the Mission Band. The district in which she lives is a Ukrainian and Greek Catholic community, and there was great opposition to establishing a Protestant Sunday School service. On Sunday they found the school house locked and they could not get in. But a Sunday School they were going to have, so this young girl and her helper gathered the children together and went to a nearby farm house and held their meeting in the kitchen. The Superintendent of the School Home has been sending them Sunday School papers and is sure they would appreciate lesson helps and primary cards.

The third illustration is of a little boy of 13. He was in the School Home for six years. In the place where his parents now live there is no Sunday School, and he has written to the King's Daughters of Montreal for Sunday School papers.

How true are the words of our Superintendent, ''When we hear such reports as these, we feel that our work in the School Homes has not been in vain.''

A Sunday School Convention in Korea

H. C. PRIEST

IN view of the meeting in Toronto of the International Sunday School Convention at which delegates were in attendance from all parts of North America and representing no less than forty-one denominations, the story of the Quadrennial All-Korean Sunday School Convention, which met in Pyengyang, Korea, last November, will be of very special interest. It shows something of the place the Sunday School has and the marvellous extent to which it has grown in a land where less than forty-three years ago the first Christian Church was organized with only seven members. The question naturally arises as to how far the attention given to Sunday School work has contributed to the wonderful growth of the Korean Church. The story moreover tells of an earnest purposefulness and a sacrificial devotion that may well be to us in this home land an inspiration and a challenge. On a Sunday afternoon during the convention at Pyengyang over 10,000 met for a great open air mass meeting.

After an inspiring programme this great Christian multitude paraded through the streets with flags and banners, the Boy Scouts and school bands leading.

This assemblage was only one of the features of the Convention in which 2,210 were enrolled. In addition over 1,000 unenrolled delegates attended the classes held during the daytime and the inspiring evening sessions, making a total of over 3,000 present throughout the Convention. Some of the delegates walked over a hundred miles that they might share in the proceedings. Dr. Robert M. Hopkins, General Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association, planned his deputation trip to the Orient so he could meet the request to deliver a number of addresses and likewise confer with the Executive Committee.

During the day, the Convention was divided into nine sections enrolling from one to four hundred each, and the time was taken up with solid, serious study under teachers brought from all over the country. In the forenoon, after prayers held in common, there were forty minute teaching periods, each followed by a thirty minute discussion period covering the matter which had just been presented by the teacher. This lasted six of the days. Then came two days where the whole forenoon was given to summarizing and debating what had been taught in the six days. Lastly came one day in each department covering its whole field and its departmental and individual problems. Findings for each of the departments were worked out and printed with the teacher outlines and sold at the end of the session.

Throughout the Convention, a daily newspaper was printed and distributed free. This was financed by certain business firms in the town. Two of the evenings were given to a pageant which was written, planned and executed entirely by the Korean young people and children without foreign help. Two more evenings were given to a musicale in which nearly two hundred took part. Yet two other evenings were given to a movie of Ben Hur. There being no single building in town large enough to hold the crowds, two of the largest churches were used, and even those lectures that ran parallel to the movie were given to crowded houses.

The exhibit held in connection with the Convention was one of its most creditable features, and was thronged all day every day, not only by those registered in the Convention, but also by many visitors from Pyengyang and other nearby cities.

The Convention voted to send a Sunday School worker into Manchuria. For this purpose and to begin the indigenous support of the Korea Sunday School work, a Convention offering was called for. It proved to be a most sacrificial offering. Scores of gifts were made in substance, including watches, weddings rings, spectacles, hairpins, fountain pens and the like. In most cases these articles constituted the only things of value which the givers had to contribute. Such giving called forth a generous response in money as well, so that in all the support was secured for the special worker for Manchuria and a substantial sum for the work in Korea also.

International Council of Religious Education

Second Quadrennial Convention

"WITH a burst of song, ardor and reverence, devotion and enthusiasm, the International Convention of Religious Education, one of the greatest gatherings in the history of Protestantism, initiated its activities in the Aeroplane Building at Exhibition Park, Toronto, Ontario, on the evening of June 23rd.

"Although primarily a North American Convention, this gathering was cosmopolitan in its nature. Men from the Orient rubbed shoulders with Mexicans; European delegates mingled with those whose homes bordered on the Pacific; Chinese and Negroes came together; it was a meeting of east and west, north and south. National representatives from four continents were there. Missionaries from nearly every field were present. As for North America, Sunday School workers from Hudson Bay to the Panama, from British Columbia to Georgia, from the Maritime Provinces to California, moved to Toronto for a week of rich fellowship and growth. Not a state in the United States, not a province in Canada, but was represented. Little wonder that at the opening meeting, speaking to approximately 4,000 people seated in the Convention Hall, the General Secretary forecast the conclave with the anticipated results as 'marking an epoch in the history of the Christian Church'."

To this convention there came messages from the premier figures of the United States and Canada. His Excellency Viscount Lord Willingdon, President Herbert Hoover and Premier Mackenzie King sent greetings. Felicitations came from Brazil also, carried on board the Graf Zeppelin from Rio de Janeiro to New York City. A marconigram from the South African Association was released, and there was a word of good wishes from the National Sunday School Union in England and the British Sunday School workers.

"A great choir of 400 members, massed from the various city churches and tiering above the audience, opened the programme by singing Handel's Largo." Thus is pictured for us this great gathering.

Mr. Russel Colgate, the President, officially opened the meeting. The substance of his message was as follows:

''The theme of this convention is 'Go. . . .Teach'. These are the words of our Leader, Jesus Christ, given to His disciples at the end of His ministry on this earth. Through succeeding generations these words have been an ever-increasing force to spread the light of Christian faith throughout the world.

''Progressive teaching is the only sure method of continuing and promoting an art, a science, or a religious faith. Enlightened teaching places in the mind of youth a foundation on which he can build to the greatest heights.''

''The importance of religious education cannot be over-emphasized. Civilization is the expression of religious belief. In a nation its morals, its law, its custom, are founded on its religion. When religion is degraded there is a corresponding let-down; where it is pure the whole life of the country reflects it. In North America we have been blessed with forefathers of Christian faith and strong convictions for truth, which have been reflected in the enlightened laws and customs of our countries. If we are to preserve this civilization, and add to it, it will be necessary to plant in the hearts of coming generations a strong Christian faith.

''To accomplish this, a great responsibility is placed upon the Christian Church. The home of a generation ago, where children received Christian training, seems to be fast disappearing. Modern science and invention, which have brought automobiles, movies, radios, and other attractions, have done much to bring about this change, and, in addition there are powerful forces at work to make our nations irreligious. A broad, constructive, co-operative programme must be put into effect.

''It is for this purpose that the International Council of Religious Education has been formed. It is a co-operating agency embracing forty-two of the leading denominations of the United States and Canada. The Council is the continuance of the two Sunday School organizations which joined forces at Kansas City eight years ago.

''This work is so important that it cannot be delegated to any group of professional workers, no matter how efficient. It is the duty of the home to give the child his first religious training, and this convention should take measures to bring this fact home to parents. Christian laymen should also be impressed with the importance of supporting this movement, not only with their money, but with their own personal effort.

''The objects of this convention may be summed up as follows:

1. To share in and strengthen this great co-operative movement of the Christian churches of America.
2. To study the needs of the coming generation.
3. To gain inspiration and help through a better understanding of the whole subject.

4. To enlist the co-operation of the home, the Christian layman and all other groups working for the great cause of Christian education.

''Let us keep to our subject of Christian education and be inspired by our theme, 'Go. . . .Teach'.''

Thus was the great gathering formally opened and the way made clear for the inspiring addresses by outstanding Christian workers each afternoon and evening. The mornings were devoted to conference. There were groups for workers with children, with young people, with adults, as well as for vacation and week-day workers, country and district workers, and local church school superintendents and officers. Here the delegates faced the problem of religious education and considered together principles and methods of improvement, in order that they might deal with church school work in a more intelligent and consecrated way.

Christian Youth Conference

Meeting at the same time as the Quadrennial was the Christian Youth Council of North America. These young people represented 41 Protestant denominations, 30 state and provincial councils, the Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., and the International Society of Christian Endeavor. The findings of this Council were later brought to the Christian Youth Conference which was attended by some 1500 delegates. To see all these young people meeting in an earnest quest for a new and better day when Jesus will have His rightful place provided a real thrill and gave to the older members a new faith in the future of the Church, and promised a solution for the greatest problem of the day—the lack of leaders. It has been truly said: ''One can certainly trust the future to these young people as they build on our yesterday but very definitely for a future that must be finer and better.''

The most complete exhibit ever assembled in the field of religious education was available for the members of the convention. It was located in the Hall of Friendship and was an educational, not a sales exhibit.

Unveiling of Statue of Robert Raikes

The outstanding ceremony of the convention took place on Saturday, June 28th, when Canada and the United States observed the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Sunday School and paid homage to Robert Raikes, the father of the movement, by unveiling a statue of Robert Raikes, which had been erected in Queen's Park.

There are now in the ranks in North America alone over twenty-three million pupils in the 159,305 Sunday Schools and it was eminently fitting that a great chorus of boys and girls should contribute sacred songs to the beauty of the ceremony, and that the memorial to the founder of work for children should be unveiled by two Sunday School pupils, Eugene Bagwell, Jr., a member of Christ Church, Savannah, Ga., which was founded in

1736 by John Wesley, and Helen Macay, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Halifax, which was organized in 1782, representing the two oldest Sunday Schools on the North American continent.

The statue, which is the combined gift of the United States and Canada is the first of its kind on North American soil. It stands for a man who is renowned not for service in war but for service that led to peace, and is intended to be a reminder to us and to posterity of the common vows to win, through the ministry of teaching, the world's childhood to the abundant life of Him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.—M.C.G.F.

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

"I AM so glad summer is here, I want a few nice books to read, while resting on the verandah,'' said a visitor to the office recently, and being a good Presbyterian and W.M.S. Auxiliary member, she purchased some of our new and interesting missionary books.

It is perhaps doubtful if the women of our church ever do find time hanging heavily upon them, so much is accomplished, yet the lazy days demand recreation, and there is no reading more fascinating than some of the new books, and when fall comes, it will be nice to be well informed on the work of the world.

We would suggest reading at least one missionary book, and if nothing else is available, reread the study book!

LOVE THE LAW OF LIFE, by Toyochiko Kagawa. This book is the greatest work we have had the privilege of offering this year. It is a dynamic, inspiring message from a great Japanese Christian, and sold in more than 180 editions in Japan. Rufus M. Jones, Professor of Philosophy at Haverford, says of this author, ''How feeble much of our present-day Christianity seems when compared with the glowing, spiritual energy and practical demonstration revealed in the life and work of the author of this book.. . . .The book expresses faith. It traces love up through lower unconscious stages, in forms of mutual aid, to the joyous radiant conscious dedication of the personal life for the sake of others, flowering at its highest and holiest culmination in the Great Galilean, through whom God's character as grace and love at last stands revealed in its full glory.'' That best describes the book. Price per copy, $2.00.

MISSIONARY METHODS FOR CHURCH AND HOME, by Katharine S. Cronk, is a splendid book to read for the woman seeking new ideas for her fall programme. It should be in every Auxiliary. Price per copy, $1.50.

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Prayer

"PRAISE to the Holiest in the height"—and praising we bow our heads in deep humility. Cover all our mistakes and failures with Thy divine compassion, O loving heavenly Father, and grant us Thy peace. Be with Thy people of every race and clime, and all those who minister unto them in Thy name. Give to those who are discouraged or lonely an ever-present certainty of Thy nearness to uphold and strengthen them in their hour of need. We would especially ask Thee to be with those who meet together to consider the affairs of the nations. Give to them a clear understanding of what are the important issues, the world's real needs, sanctify with Thy richest blessing every channel of thought and action. May only the purest motives remain and everything that is trivial and ignoble be swept away. Bless Thy Church militant, and our own branch of it. Inspire a truer devotion, a renewal of energy for Thy cause, in the hearts of its members and of those who carry the dignity of its offices. May its predominating purpose be that of bringing Christ to the whole world, and may no service be deemed too great, or no sacrifice too exacting, which means being used by Thee, and as seems most fitting to Thee. Grant that the approaching holiday season may be a time of blessing and stimulation for all, of refreshment for the weary, and comfort for the disconsolate, and bring us safely together again at its close. With grateful, contrite hearts we offer these our prayers, for the sake of Christ Who loved us and laid down His life for us. Amen.

OUR LETTER BOX

Incidents in the Work of a Bible Woman

Taihoku, Formosa.

"MY brother translated the programme of the World Day of Prayer, then we made copies of it on the mimeograph, and sent them to all the churches. The churches in Taihoku city held a union meeting at Soren Church, in the afternoon. Members took part. At some churches they had the meeting in the evening. All entered heartily into the matter rejoicing in the day of united petition at the throne of God. Really it was one link between Canada and Formosa. We remembered in prayer your annual meeting.

The picture on page 248 is of a woman belonging to the Tairoko tribe, one of the most recently subdued of the tribes of mountain people. She is a Christian and is now studying in our Women's School. Our Formosa W.M.S. is paying her expenses, in the expectation that she will go back to preach to her own people. So far as I know she is the only woman of her tribe who is a Christian. For many years we have prayed about this very thing, that a way might be opened to give the gospel to these mountain peoples. She belongs to the tribe which is counted the fiercest of all. God has surely heard our prayers, and we must thank Him for His answer. Her face and forehead are tattoed, and two of her teeth have been knocked out. The Japanese are putting a stop to those customs now. During the summer holidays she is among her own people, but we expect her at the Women's School again in the fall.

Some time ago three members went to the east coast. We had a meeting at every church. We sent word ahead, so the preachers notified the women. I had the photograph of the W.M.S. annual meeting taken while Mrs. Strachan was here with me. I showed it after every meeting and all were interested to see it, and look into the faces of the delegation, the missionaries, Bible women and others. I also gave a copy of the constitution of our W.M.S. to each one. We have these printed both in Romanized and in character. Some women walked quite a distance to attend the meetings. Many of them were farmers' wives, carrying their babies on their backs, but they were glad to come.

On Sunday morning we went to a chapel in the mountains. They had Sunday School first, then Mrs. Mackay spoke on praying for rain. We had a severe drought in Formosa at that time, and it was very bad on the east coast. I spoke about some of the good women of the

Bible, who loved our Lord and gave their time and everything for Him. We went to another chapel for the evening service.

On Monday we went on to another place and the women and children gathered in the afternoon. While the meeting was going on, Mrs. Mackay was in another room, busy hearing children recite from the Gospel of John. She heard them at several places. We visited an out-of-the-way place called Stone Umbrella. It takes this name from some rocks on the seashore which look like an umbrella. One could hear the Pacific rollers thundering in, and the roadsides were dotted with fragrant Easter lilies. This station was established many years ago through a Christian farmer who moved there. He prayed for water, he prayed for the sick and soon gathered a group of believers around him. When he moved over the mountain a Christian group sprang up there. If only all Christians everywhere were like him!

We three had a very nice trip, seeing so many people, and having meetings at every church. I saw quite a number of old friends, and we sang the old hymns with native tunes, that we used to sing when we were little. The aborigines have very sweet voices.

One important thing which I asked the Christian women of every place to do was to pray for the W. M. S., our Bible women, and the mother Society. May God bless our work here, so that many who hear the gospel may accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.

There is a woman living near us, who was bed-ridden fourteen months. I went to see her many times. She repeated prayers and scripture verses after me until she could say them alone. Then in her dark little room, she learned to read. She used to lie on the floor, and I sat on the low bench, and that is the way she used to learn her lessons. Now she is able to read the catechism and the hymns. She keeps her books in a little tin box, and always has it beside her. She won't let any one touch it. Now she is well and is able to walk to church and Sunday School, regularly attending both. Last week she gave Y2.00 to the church. Her mother-in-law used to scold her, because she could not do any work. They asked several idols to cure her, with no result. After I had been teaching her for some time, she was able to get up and move about. I asked her to have her photograph taken with me. At first the mother-in-law objected, saying, ''O, she must not, because afterwards she cannot take the incense and worship the idols.'' But at last she consented. Maybe she remembered how helpless the girl had been, and was thankful for her restored health.

Some older Formosans believe that when one has a photograph taken, the soul will be taken too. So they do not like it very much. After a short time the mother-in-law said, ''I am afraid Tâi-u (that is her name) will never worship me when I am gone, for she learns with you.'' I said, ''Your soul does not eat any food. Please do not worry about that.'' Then she answered, ''I will be starving.'' Many believe that the soul is able to take the food offered to it.

One evening the pastor, elder and others had worship at her home. Quite a number gathered there, to hear the message. We sang several hymns, she choosing the ones she knew. I gave her two scrolls of the prodigal son, and some Sunday School pictures. She put them up on the wall. Formosans like these pictures so much.

When visiting the home of a middle school boy lately, a woman came rushing out from the kitchen, calling me. When I saw her face, I knew her at once. Twenty years ago she was one of my Sunday School pupils. She still remembers some verses of hymns. She had left her Bible and hymn book behind when she got married. She now has a family of six boys. The middle school boy is her husband's younger brother. I never thought of meeting her that day. A neighbor walked in and said that years ago she had had a sore leg, and that my father had cured it. I had quite an interesting time with them all. I gave them the tracts, which they could give to the men to read. While I was there the men were all out in the fields working. Whenever we go to the homes, we give out tracts. Some are afraid to handle them. When I tell them they will do them no harm, they stretch out their hands and take them.

One day when I was coming home at noon by a push-car I came upon a group resting in the neighborhood of a church. I gave them tracts and asked them all to go to church. One man spoke up saying, ''Your Jesus doctrine about honoring parents is very good. I like to hear it.'' They put the tracts in their pockets. May they read and understand them through the teaching of the Holy Spirit.

Another home we have visited lately is that of a little boy, who used to come to kindergarten. His grandmother has been a vegetarian for over thirty years. We had a long talk about this life, and the life after death. I gave her a book to read on the Doctrines of our Religion, and will give her more.

There is a sick man across the river whom we often visit, reading to and praying with him. He always is so pleased to have worship. His family sit on the bed and listen. My hope is that God will hear our prayers for him. Without Him we can do nothing.''

—*(Mrs.) Bella C. M. Koa.*

Farewell Gifts Given Miss Ethel Reid

''WE had a most successful school closing in Montreal on June 20th. Mrs. Herman and Miss Jue really deserved the credit for it all, and the children outdid themselves. Every one was pleased. Many of our W.M.S. ladies were present. Dr. Potter presided. A large number of the Chinese women and children were present, including one who never came to anything before, and into whose house I have never been. I was so gratified when I saw her on Friday with her two grandchildren. I think the whole affair was quite a revelation to her. She knows very few of the other Chinese women. I am hoping that now she has ventured to come once, she will come again.

I was greatly touched by the loving appreciation shown me in the generous gifts from pupils and teachers. The pupils, present and past, gave me a most beautiful wardrobe suitcase and a lovely writing case. Daisy, a former pupil, made a sedate little speech, in which she said among other things, 'We love you very much, and know that you love us.' Little Blossom, our tiniest pupil, came bravely forward with a great bouquet of lovely peonies. Dear Miss Jue, her mother and Mrs. Herman, gave me a most beautiful silk umbrella.

I feel the expressions of affection and appreciation from the women are indeed genuine, and that they will truly regret my leaving them. It will be with real sorrow that I say good-bye to them in September. I have impressed it on the women that the gospel which they have deemed unimportant, is so important that I am going back to China to give it to those who want it, and are more ready to receive teaching.

I was in Ottawa for the week-end. I visited the Consulate, as I had seen the two young sisters of the Consul, Mr. Lee, on the street in the afternoon and arranged to call at night. I visited them when I was here in March. They are very friendly, as is their sister-in-law, Mrs. Lee. I had not met the Consul before but found him very gentlemanly and friendly. They are Haak Ka people, but understand Cantonese. Mr. Lee speaks English perfectly. There are very few Haak Ka people in Canada. It means Guest people, and they are supposed to have migrated centuries ago from Honan province to the southern provinces.''

—(*Miss*) *Ethel C. Reid.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggested Programme for July-August

RECREATION

"I AM come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.''—John X.

Other readings: Psalm LXXXIX: 14-18; Matt. V: 13-16; Luke XV: 11-32; John XV: 4-11; Rom. XIV: 7-9; Hymn 673; Hymn 647.

We all have times of leisure when we are free, more or less, to do as we please. How are we to make the very best of such times, so as to enter by them into that full life which Christ calls us to live? Think over the following suggestions:

A Christian will use his leisure with purpose, with zest and with freedom, so that it will be a real recreation for work.

A Christian will want to feel that Christ is with him in every part of his life. That will help him to decide what he may, or may not, do with his leisure; what pleasures he may take with unclouded freedom; what amount of money he may spend on his pleasures without being luxurious or selfish.

A Christian will think out with special care how he will spend the leisure of Sunday, so that each week that day will stand out as a really fine day in the best sense.

Special intercession might be made for the friends with you at the meeting; for children who have only the street to play in; for people tired out by their work, who must use their leisure for rest alone; for your minister in his preparation for the following Sunday.

—*From "A Day Book of Prayer."*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A String of Blue Beads

While this incident took place in a hospital in Siam, just let us picture it as happening in Formosa, South China, Gwalior, or Amkhut, or in one of our W.M.S. Hospitals in Canada.

THE missionary box was full, almost up to the very top, and some of the women who had helped to fill it were anxiously wondering whether or not the lid could be nailed on tightly enough, when young Mrs. B. (not necessarily short for "Brown") came in breathlessly.

"The sheets that I took home to hem, you know—I'd almost forgotten them. But here they are, and I hope that I'm not too late."

"Almost!" replied one of the older women, with a twinkle in her eyes which softened any implied rebuke in her answer, "We're just ready to have the janitor nail on the cover, so some patient at the hospital may yet be grateful to you for your hemming!"

"Now, let me see," began the chairman of the box work committee, "there are sheets, pillow cases, draw sheets, gauze, pneumonia jackets, compresses, and—"

"Toys for the children's ward," said one.

"And a—a—a string of blue beads!" Mrs. B.'s announcement was shy.

"Blue beads!" repeated one of the group. "Why on earth would you send blue beads to a hospital! Anyway, I've not seen any here and I've helped pack this box."

"They're not in yet, but here they go," and young Mrs. B. pulled from the pocket of her sweater a ten cent string of beads which had a bit of the sky about them, and hastily thrust them into the big box. "Cheap," she murmured half to herself, "but I couldn't resist the color." Her own eyes had the same tint of smiling skies about them. "Perhaps they wear beads in Siam and perhaps they don't, but all children like to hide beads in their ears or noses, and—''

''My dear,'' interrupted the chairman rather hastily, ''send them if you like.''

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''Hurry along, there's a box from home,'' called out the doctor to the superintendent of nurses. ''A missionary box!'' called the nurses to each other. And the crowd gathered for the ceremony of opening the box.

''Sheets, pillow cases, draw sheets, gauze, pneumonia jackets, compresses,'' checked off the matter-of-fact doctor. ''Toys for the children's Christmas tree!'' added the littlest nurse, speaking both Siamese and English in her excitement.

''And look here, a string of blue beads!'' announced the head nurse, holding them up to the light. ''Lovely color, but for a hospital—?''

Four year old Come Pun, who had come in for a serious operation, lived far from Chiengmai, and when she was brought into McCormick Hospital she looked very different from the little city girls. Her hair was long and pinned up into a tight little knot such as the old Lao women affect. She was frankly terrified by all that she saw in the hospital, and she cried long into the night, refusing to be comforted. Even dolls failed to distract her attention. It was the littlest nurse who finally, in desperation, hung the string of blue beads on Come Pun's bed. Perhaps the color reminded her of the sky under which she had played so happily at home, but now hidden from her sight. Whatever the reason, she clutched them smilingly and forgot to cry. The blue beads saved the day and converted Come Pun into a happy little patient.

Wee little Sinit, an orphan baby, reached for the beads one day when a nurse held them out to him. All the other nurses came running to see the miracle repeated, for that was his first voluntary coordinated movement.

Young Master Lion (Singhtoh) despite his brave name found it hard to become adjusted to the queerness of hospital life until the smiling superintendent of nurses dangled the string of blue beads before his tear-filled eyes. After that, if he could just see the beads near his hand, he didn't mind having his temperature taken.

And so it went, until it seemed that whenever a nurse had difficulty with a patient in the children's ward, she called out, ''Blue beads you tea-nigh? (Where are the blue beads?) Some of the children were loath to give up the trinket when they left the hospital, but always it was passed from child to child, working its magic.

And you at home, never think that the sheets and pillow cases, the gauze and pneumonia jackets, the draw sheets and compresses were not appreciated, for they were. But sometimes we offer up too a special prayer of thanksgiving for the very little things, such as a ten cent string of glass beads with a hint of the sky about them.—*Mary Lou O'Brien and Sadie Lemmon in ''Women and Missions.''*

MISSION BANDS

Mission Band Hour

MRS. GEO. VANSTONE

THAT HOUR—7 p.m., April 29th—in Calvin Church, Toronto, will not soon be forgotten by those privileged to be present. After the reading of the Secretary's optimistic report, there was a Bible reading and prayer by two little girls which showed two future leaders.

The pageant, following, was the feature of the evening. Children of the Toronto Mission Bands assisted by their former members who now have graduated into C.G.I.T. gave a very excellent presentation of ''The Challenge of Opportunity.'' Dressed in character costume girls representing Japan, British Guiana, Manchuria, Formosa, India, new arrivals in Canada, new Canadians recently arrived, China, and two boys as native Indians, enter and pass by. A group of Canadian girls ''The Flower Garden'' enter and sing ''The Daffodil Song,'' then pass by.

''Daffodil, bright daffodil,
Shining angels are singing still,
For Jesus our King arose in the spring;
We are so glad, bright daffodil.''

The singing rouses from reverie one, who, having heard a great message is reading the book and in the singing of the children seems to hear the challenge to work. ''Why stand ye idle when there is so much to do? Here are many girls and boys who have never heard of Jesus.'' The voice seemed to say, ''Can you, will you not help them?''

''I can and I will.'' She now rises and the Flower Garden girls reappear and group around her to hear her story of children who are not so fortunate, not so well dressed, who have never heard of Jesus who loves them. Asking if they would like to help form a Band, make presents for these other little boys and girls, give so that a missionary might be sent to teach, to pray for them, to ask Jesus to take care of them, the children answer ''We will.''

''Send us a Saviour, for our hearts are sore,
Broken in spirit we can bear no more;
Hearts torn with anguish clamor loud for peace,
Is there no strong one who can bring release?''

As the little actors enter, each bowing, some sing, some speak of the country of their birth, its habits, customs, but all stress its one great need, missionary helpers to tell the story of Jesus, to teach them the folly of idols, to help them in times of illness or trouble, for they say children are easier to teach than big people.

The vision presented by these children makes such an impression upon the Flower Garden girls that when the leader tells them that they can really help to make these things come true, that everywhere there should be Mission Bands to answer the plea, and that each little boy or girl can do a part, they are very happy and sing as marching out:

> ''We are young but this we know
> More like Jesus we will grow,
> And His loving voice obey
> Follow all the way.''

A hymn closed that happy children's hour at the Ontario Provincial Annual Meeting.

The pageant was prepared by Mrs. J. Williams, Mrs. Adamson and Mrs. Perry of Toronto Presbyterial. Copies may be obtained from the W.M.S. Publications Office, 372 Bay St., Toronto. Price 10c.

A MESSAGE TO LEADERS

Mrs. J. W. Dill

We would call your attention again to pages 204, 216, and 229 in the June issue of *The Glad Tidings.* It is our earnest desire that each one of our 11,472 Band members will make this self denial contribution so that our Bands will have the joy of furnishing ''The M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home,'' Amkhut, India. Their gifts will help in the saving of the life of many a little Bhil baby. Again I send our boys and girls that wee girl's message, ''Bring on your pennies'' in September.

If any of the children are not able to bring their contribution to the September meeting, Leaders are asked to see that their gifts are given before the end of the year.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

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CALGARY P.S.—At the annual meeting 14 Auxiliaries with 344 members were reported, also 4 Y. W. Auxiliaries with 77 members, contributing $220; 13 C.G.I.T. Groups and 143 members, contributing $46.51; 10 Mission Bands with a membership of 165, contributing $250; 152 Home Helpers who contributed $315.21.

The Supply Secretary reports that all allocations were cheerfully met. There are 388 subscribers to *Glad Tidings.* The Welcome and Welfare Secretary reported that 543 persons were welcomed to our province.

During the year excellent addresses were given by Miss Crockett and Miss Muldoon, delegate to the Council at Ottawa. The allocation for the year was $2,710 and this was exceeded by $316.65. The women of the Presbyterial are looking forward to an even more successful year in 1930.

At the May meeting of the Calgary Presbyterial Executive, encouraging reports were given by the various Secretaries. Plans for a circulation library were discussed. Miss Muldoon was appointed a delegate to the Student Christian Movement Convention at Jasper Park in June.

Edmonton P.S.—At the regular monthly meeting of the W.M.S. of First Church, Edmonton, the three Mission Bands had entire charge of the programme, which proved to be of an instructive missionary type. The South Side Band, First Church, which is the baby band, reports two new Junior members. This was made possible from a candy table at the W.M.S. tea, for supply work.

The Executive of the Presbyterial is holding its semi-annual meeting at Killam in July.

''Why Engage in Work for Missions?'' was the subject of an arresting address given by Rev. W. A. Cameron, of Weyburn, Sask., at the June meeting of the W.M.S. of First Church Auxiliary, Edmonton. Mrs. P. W. Robertson, at present on furlough from China, was an honored guest and was introduced to the meeting. Seventy-five dollars was the quarterly contribution from the Home Helpers. Mrs. R. H. Christie presided.

The W.M.S. of Strathcona plan to resume activities in the fall with a rally tea.

Rev. George Dix gave the address at the June meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S. The Home Helpers were specially invited and there was a good attendance.

All Auxiliaries report an excellent response to the supply work.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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KAMLOOPS-OKANAGAN P.S. annual meeting was held in Salmon Arm, May 29th. Mrs. McKechnie, the President, presided. The meetings were full of interest and the departmental reports most encouraging, showing a deeper sense of the value of missions. The allocation for 1929 was raised. The one for 1930 remains the same amount. All the officers were re-elected. The enthusiasm of the meetings was stimulated by the wonderfully instructive addresses of Miss Laura Pelton and Miss Lily Macarthur.

On the evening of May 1st a meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Penticton, when the audience listened with great interest to Miss Pelton and Miss Macarthur, who had arranged to spend a short time in the Okanagan.

Kootenay P.S. sixteenth annual meeting was held in Cranbrook, May 7th and 8th. Mrs. Worden, President, presided. A banquet was held Tuesday evening at which visiting delegates were welcomed and greetings brought from representatives of the other Missionary Societies of the city. After the dinner Miss Laura K. Pelton gave an address to young women.

Wednesday morning was devoted to hearing reports from the various departments. In the afternoon there was a most interesting address from Miss Lily Macarthur, of Quebec. At an open meeting that evening Miss Pelton gave her impressions of the Federation of Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, held in Detroit, an address that will long be remembered by those fortunate to hear it. The morning was presided over by Rev. J. C. McLean-Bell the devotions being taken by Rev. Thomas Oswald, Kimberley.

Changes in Secretaries are: M. B., Mrs. Colin Campbell; Supply, Mrs. Condy, Trail; *Glad Tidings*, Mrs. McNeil.

The Easter Thank-offering meeting at Knox Church, Cranbrook, was held April 16th. A programme of duetts, chorus by the Y. W. Aux., a dialogue by the Mission Band, and an inspiring address on ''Why I Believe in Missions'' by Rev. Thos. Oswald, Kimberley, all went to make a helpful and enjoyable evening. The attendance and offering were very satisfactory.

The Mission Band and Boys' Club of Creston are both very active, and carry on programmes intended to arouse great interest in missions.

Westminster P.S.—The third annual rally of the Mission Bands of the Presbyterial was held in St. Andrew's Church, New Westminster, April 23rd. The roll call was responded to by 202 boys and girls. A number of friends were also present. Mrs. Angus MacKenzie, Mission Band Secretary, presided. Greetings were brought by the Provincial President, Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, and the Presbyterial President, Mrs. R. M. Thomson. Rev. Gordon McPherson welcomed the gathering to his church making the interesting statement that it was the oldest Presbyterian Church in British Columbia. Each Mission Band contributed an item to the programme. To Fairview Band went the honor of winning the beautiful new banner for the year. Miss Pelton gave a short address to the children. After pronouncement of the benediction by Rev. Walter Ellis, refreshments were served.

Miss M. Grigor, deaconess worker, Vancouver, addressed an Easter Thank-offering meeting of Robertson W.M.S. Mr. Hugh M. Fraser presided.

The Presbyterial Executive met April 25th in Central Church, Vancouver. After the transaction of business the members adjourned to the school room where a mass meeting was addressed by Miss Lily Macarthur, port worker at Quebec. Miss Macarthur gave a comprehensive outline of her work and showed how greatly the welcome and help given is appreciated by the newcomers to our country. She also pointed out what it means to our country that the first impression these people receive of Canada should be of the best.

At the May meeting of Fairview Auxiliary, Mrs. Chas. E. Judd, of the China Inland Mission, gave a vivid description of the dangers surrounding many missionaries as well as native Christians in China to-day.

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BRANDON P.S.—Carberry W.M.S. Thank-offering was well attended. The President conducted the devotional exercises. Reports of the Provincial meeting were given by Mrs. Crane, who dealt with the sessions in general, and by Mrs. Home, who stressed Mission Band work. Mrs. M. Abey gave a short talk on the work in India, making a special plea for workers. It was delightful to see so many young girls present. They are greatly interested in the new ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home.'' They will make very fine workers in the near future.

Superior P.S.—First Church, Port Arthur, held their regular meeting May 28th. There was a large attendance. The meeting was conducted by the President, Mrs. McCutcheon. Mrs. D. L. Cranston gave an interesting paper on the organization of our Welcome and Welfare work and outlined the different departments. Mrs. McCullough, Welcome and Welfare Secretary, reported 38 calls and gave a report of how the work is conducted locally. Mrs. Smellie spoke of the work accomplished by the younger members in making comfort bags and other things for the travellers.

The ''McKay'' Mission Band met in First Church, Port Arthur, on May 23rd, with 14 members present. Miss Olive Wood was chosen President in place of Miss Emily Forsyth, who resigned. After the business was finished, the remainder of the time was spent in sewing and pasting scrap books.

Winnipeg P.S.—The W.M.S. of Norwood Church, Winnipeg, held an interesting Easter Thank-offering meeting. The chair was taken by Mrs. G. H. Laurie, first Vice-President. The chapter in the study book was given by Mrs. Oliphant and ''Easter and the Resurrection'' was taken by Mrs. G. H. Laurie. The Mission Band and C.G.I.T. provided three items which were much enjoyed. The Norwood W.M.S. has a membership of 25 and all are looking forward to a year of spiritual as well as material growth.

The Mission Band, of Norwood Church, is under the leadership of Mrs. Jas. Rodgers, and Mrs. R. A. Scott, and has a membership of 25 with average attendance of 17. Two meetings are held monthly, one for mission study and the other is a work meeting.

A very pleasant afternoon was spent at the Easter Thank-offering meeting of the ''Golden Sheaf'' Mission Band of First Church, Winnipeg. The programme consisted of choruses, songs, etc., by the children. Mrs. Warrington presided, and a very interesting address was given by Mrs. A. M. Long. The offering was $22.66. Refreshments were served by the Mission Band.

ONTARIO

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ANY Presbyterial desiring speakers may write to Mrs. R. G. Hammill, 199 Albany Ave., Toronto, Deputation Secretary.

Barrie P.S.—A joint Thank-offering meeting of the W.M.S. and Mission Band of Chalmers Church, Alliston, was addressed by Mrs. Dill, Toronto. A playette, ''Inasmuch'', was presented by the Mission Band, and with the orchestra added to the pleasure of the evening.

The Collingwood Auxiliary held a special Thank-offering meeting, addressed by Mrs. Swallow, President of Barrie Presbyterial. A generous offering was received.

Guelph P.S. held a rally service in Central Church, Galt, May 13th, Miss A. MacRae, Galt, President of the Presbyterial, presiding. Opening devotional services were conducted by members of Guelph Presbytery, holding their monthly meeting in the same church. Rev. M. B. Davidson, brought greetings from the Presbytery. Mrs. M. B. Davidson, President of the Auxiliary of the Church, gave an address of welcome. The President's address was followed by brief and encouraging reports from Presbyterial officers. Mrs. Hewes, Guelph, led the conference, in which matters connected with the Presbyterial were discussed.

At the afternoon session, Miss Mary E. Anderson, Acton, under appointment to work among the Koreans in Japan, gave a very interesting address. Miss M. C. G. Fraser, Toronto, gave an address on the message the *Glad Tidings* was bringing to the home. Mrs. McCracken, Rockwood, gave the dedicatory prayer. Mrs. Penlington, St. Andrew's Church, Galt, gave the closing words and Mrs. Gamble, of Guelph, the closing prayer.

The Auxiliary of Knox Church, Preston, held a special meeting on May 20th, when they enjoyed a lecture and lantern slides on China and Manchuria.

Peterborough P.S.—At a meeting held by the Auxiliary of St. Paul's Church, Peterborough, May 19th, Mrs. Jonathan Goforth addressed an audience of one hundred and fifty people.

Stratford P.S.—Knox Church Auxiliary, Mitchell, celebrated their Golden Jubilee on April 9th, in a service commemorating the officers and members of the past fifty years. This Auxiliary, formerly of the W.F.M.S., is the third oldest in Stratford Presbytery.

Toronto P.S.—The Evening Auxiliary of Glenview Church, Toronto, will be known as the ''Janet Haig'' Auxiliary in future, in memory of their late beloved President.

Service of Remembrance for Mrs. David Perrie

A beautiful tribute of memorial was paid to the late Mrs. David Perrie, wife of our late beloved Moderator, and President of the Presbyterial for fifteen years, at the meeting of Maitland Presbyterial, held at Whitechurch, May 13th, the members of Presbytery also being in attendance. Mrs. F. Coombe, Kincardine, presided, and the large audience, standing with bowed heads, joined in the prayers and responsive readings. The prayer of remembrance was by Mrs. T. D. McCullough, Kincardine; the prayer of praise and thanksgiving for Mrs. Perrie's life, fellowship, service and devotion, by Mrs. R. McWhinney, Dungannon; and the prayer of dedication and consecration of ourselves to the establishment and completion of the work we shared with her, to the extension of Christ's kingdom, by Mrs. A. Forbes, Teeswater. Mrs. A. Strachan, Brussels, in a feeling address, paid tribute to Mrs. Perrie's untiring devotion to the cause of missions. She gave of her best talents, not only in the home as homemaker, wife and mother, but also to her beloved church. She filled all her offices with grace, dignity and ability, and while we mourn her loss, we must rejoice as we think of her Master's reward—''Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.''

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Mission Band Rally

A RECORD attendance of Mission Bands marked the annual gathering held in the First Presbyterian Church, Montreal, April 22nd. Five hundred children were present, also a large number of parents, friends and interested workers. Eight new Bands were represented, six being organized this year.

In the absence of Mrs. A. W. Lamb, President of Montreal Presbyterial, Mrs. A. W. Pae, first Vice-President, opened the meeting, after which the Mission Band Secretaries, Mrs. Robert McCleery and Mrs. Thomas Young, conducted the programme. A hearty welcome was extended by Mrs. Currie, President of First Church Auxiliary. Dr. Malcolm Campbell, minister of the church, spoke a few words to the children, expressing great pleasure at the number assembled, as it told how many mothers and workers were interested in missionary work, and wished the children to have the same interest. Greetings were brought from the Provincial Board by Mrs. I. C. Sharp.

All the Mission Bands contributed to the afternoon programme of choruses, recitations and pageants. Miss Reid's Chinese kindergarten class sang several hymns. An interesting feature of the rally was the presentation by Mrs. Pae, of the banner to Stanley Church Mission Band, Montreal, and ''Mackay'' Mission Band, St. Cuthberts, Montreal, each of which will carry the banner for six months.

Mrs. Howard Fraser, Provincial Mission Band Secretary, referred to a new banner given by Mr. W. J. Morton, for out-of-town Mission Bands. Mrs. Morton made the presentation to the youthful winners, the ''Sunbeam'' M.B., of Beauharnois, and the ''Willing Workers'' M.B., of Athelstan.

Montreal P.S.—At the quarterly Executive held in Knox-Crescent Church, April 25th, the reports of the various Secretaries were most encouraging. The Treasurer reported $3,090 received since the annual meeting. Three new Mission Bands was the good news from the Mission Band Secretary. The Home Helpers Secretary spoke of the splendid supply of quilts received. Twenty orders filled and $50 received, was the report from the Literature Secretary. A synopsis of the Quebec Provincial meeting was given by Mrs. J. W. Dougherty, and the chief items of interest emphasized, especially the splendid address given by Mrs. D. Strachan, President of the W.M.S., on ''Our Task, Finished and Unfinished.''

The Rev. Dr. W. D. Reid, Stanley Church, was the speaker of the afternoon. His subject was ''The Recent Conference on Missions in Toronto.''

Great regret was expressed at the sudden death of one of our Honorary Presidents, Mrs. Walter Paul.

The Late Mrs. Walter Paul

Montreal Presbyterial has lost one of its most honored and valued members in the sudden death of the Honorary President, Mrs. Walter Paul, on April 22. Mrs. Paul was one of the oldest members of the W.M.S. in Montreal, as she had been for a number of years before her marriage, a member of St. Paul's Auxiliary, and of the executive of the local W.M.S. After her marriage she was one of the leaders in Knox Church and later in Knox-Crescent after the union of the two congregations. Mrs. Paul filled many offices in Auxiliary and Presbyterial, and in all her sound judgment and common sense were greatly relied on. Large-hearted and generous, she was a valuable supporter not only of the work of the W.M.S., but of every other good work in which she had a share. A Vice-President of the Presbyterian Women's League, she was a tower of strength in the days of trial and reorganization of our Church. Her home life was ideal. Few women have been held in higher honor by husband and children as well as by the large circle of friends and associates in effort for the welfare of men and the promotion of the kingdom of God. Few will be more deeply missed or widely mourned.

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PRINCE ALBERT-SASKATOON P.S.—Coleville reports that their Missionary Society is quietly and steadily taking up its missionary activities. At this point they are realizing more and more as the days go by the loss of their deaconess.

Mrs. M. A. Neatby gave a splendid paper on the ''Conquest of Europe'' at the April meeting of Parkview W.M.S., Saskatoon.

The May meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Lindsay. Rev. S. Hill spoke briefly on ''The Faith of our Fathers.'' Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay are the oldest members in Parkview.

Mr. Lindsay, aged 87 years, and Mrs. Lindsay, aged 85 years, staunch Presbyterians.

Regina P.S.—The members of the Provincial Board, resident in Regina, met in conference with the Executive of Regina P.S. At the close of the conference the Regina ladies of the Executive entertained their visitors at lunch. Among the guests present were Miss Laura Pelton, Miss L. Macarthur, Miss Violet Scott, and Miss Ross, who has recently undertaken deaconess work in Regina.

First Presbyterian Church Auxiliary, Regina, held its Easter Thank-offering service, April 23rd. Mrs. G. M. Bell, the President, gave an illustrated talk on Formosa to a very interested and appreciative audience.

Mrs. S. Cook, of Broadview, has the sincere sympathy of the Regina Presbyterial in the loss of her husband. Mrs. Cook is a member of the Presbyterial as well as President of the local Auxiliary.

A letter from Mistawasis Reserve reports a good winter's work. A very interesting Young People's Society have held weekly meetings at the Mission under the leadership of Mrs. Moore. The W.M.S. and Mission Band have met all obligations and have had very interesting meetings throughout the year.

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Correction:

Peterborough P.S.—Mrs. W. Isaac, reported as Peterborough Aux., should read Warkworth Aux.

Stratford P.S.—In the June issue, In Memoriam Subscription, in memory of Miss Kathyrn Gordon Cameron, was given by her sister, Allison Cameron (not assisted by the Y. W. Aux., Strathroy).

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The Enlarged Council Executive Meeting

THE Council Executive of the Women's Missionary Society (W.D.) of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, with one additional representative from the six provinces, met in the Canadian School of Missions, 97 St. George St., Toronto, Ontario, May 27th to 30th.

There were forty-one women in attendance, twelve of these coming from the provinces of Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Quebec, and twenty-nine being resident in Toronto. The out-of-town representatives included the President of each Provincial Society and one additional member from each province. From Alberta there came Mrs. F. W. Allott, of Calgary and Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, Edmonton; British Columbia, Mrs. G. W. Ledingham and Mrs. W. J. White, of Vancouver; Manitoba, Mrs. H. A. Robson, Winnipeg, and Mrs. J. A. Gray, of Brandon; Ontario, Mrs. W. A. McLennan, Toronto, and Mrs. J. R. Hill, Ottawa; Quebec, Mrs. I. C. Sharp, Montreal, and Miss C. E. Cameron, Westmount; Satskatchewan, Mrs. H. R. Horne and Mrs. G. D. Ralston, of Regina.

This meeting, according to the decision of the Council in Ottawa last May, is to be held in the intervening years between the biennial meetings of Council. At this meeting business was transacted, reports received, financial statement considered, and estimates for the following year accepted.

No more beautiful time of the year could have been chosen for it than the month of May, and no more perfect days than the 27th to the 30th. Wherever one looked one saw the miracle of spring and ''every bush aflame with God.''

Nor could there have been a more fitting place to meet than the School of Missions with its restful atmosphere, spacious halls, home-like lounge, large sun-flooded class room, where the business was discussed, the library and reading room, so intriguing with their books and magazines and beckoning chairs for the in-between-times when one sought quiet. And that other ''upper room''—the Chapel—a perfect little sanctuary—with no touch of the outer world save on the Communion table,

> ''pale lilacs white. . . . .
> the loveliest poem
> The gracious Hand of God shall ever write!''

Here, each morning, in this ''tranquil beauty,'' the things of time forgotten, we were led in our devotions and communed with the Lord and Master of us all. Here, too, we gathered for the closing message of our President, who spoke to us on the words, ''But we see Jesus'', and in a way we shall never forget, she linked up all the missionary activities with ''Him, who is our King and Head, our Inspiration and our great Reward.''

The Rev. J. Lovell Murray, D.D., Director of the School of Missions, officially welcomed the Council Executive and expressed his pleasure at having as guests one of the co-operating Boards of the School. He told what the School of Missions is trying to do, and mentioned the 146 missionaries and candidates enrolled last year under 33 courses, and the efforts which were put forth to find what the individual missionary needed and supply it. He spoke too of the something priceless which is being done on the social side, for the lonelier the missionaries are on the field, the greater is their joy in the home atmosphere of the School and the intercourse with missionaries from other countries. When they return to their field, Dr. Murray is confident that, outstanding in the skyline of the past, is their memory of the fellowship and prayer, for to them the place of prayer has been the place of power.

As to the value of this meeting, the consensus of opinion as voiced by one of the Western delegates at the last session was that, though smaller than the Council, and possibly lacking the inspiration of great public meetings, this gathering was perhaps of greater value to the workers because they got so near the heart of things. It could scarcely be otherwise when one considers the extent and variety of the work for which this Society is responsible. In Canada, it has hospitals in four centres and the patients treated numbered 1,625; six school homes in five centres, with 137 pupils; two Indian residential schools with accommodation for 210 pupils and one improved Indian day school. Chinese work is carried on in five centres, 125 children being in the kindergartens alone. A flourishing Welcome and Welfare Department with a staff of 18 port and station workers, hospital visitors and deaconesses welcomes newcomers to Canada and the Church. Overseas, mission work in carried on in Formosa, India, Manchuria, South China, Japan and British Guiana. Since 1925 more than 260 names have come to the Candidates Department.

To carry on this work there are 751 Auxiliaries, 164 Y. W. Auxiliaries, 251 Girls' Organizations, 491 Mission Bands, 43 Associate Societies, a membership of 46,228, total receipts from all sources $211,698.38, and an official magazine *The Glad Tidings* which has 21,584 subscriptions.

To the consideration of this work and its conduct the delegates earnestly applied themselves for four days and, as Secretary after Secretary marshalled her facts and made known the needs as she saw them, the things we have left undone seemed greater far than the list of our accomplishments.

Then, too, we all grew in wisdom and understanding for the discussion which followed each report shed light from every angle and from every place. This meeting, if it did nothing else, taught us the value of discussion and that in the counsel of many there is wisdom.

The formality which sometimes attends a larger meeting was quite lacking in the smaller gathering and the heartfelt tribute of the President to her Secretaries and the Secretaries and members to their President, Secretary and Treasurer, seemed not out of place. All one wished was that our dear missionary workers everywhere could have ''listened in'' to the loving appreciation of them and their work, which time and time again found expression.

Much time was given to the question of expansion and to the requests for help, which we have not been able to grant. Outstanding among these is the call for deaconesses for six or eight places; a second school home for Quebec; overseas—a girls' hostel for Jhansi and a medical woman for Amkhut; a principal for the Girls' School, Formosa, also two evangelistic workers; an evangelistic nurse for Manchuria, and greater provision for Christian literature in all lands.

Foremost among the impressions gathered at the meeting was not our achievements, although these were not unworthy, as the reports of the Secretaries show, but the necessity of bending every energy to the strengthening and extending of our organization. To us belongs the task of providing leaders for the Mission Bands, workers among the young people—a field rich in opportunities yet comparatively untouched—of sensing the ''value of one'' in dealing with students, and of keeping the Auxiliary ranks filled. This is our task, and its fulfilment will be the test of our loyalty to our W.M.S., or as one has said: ''I have no right to support any other Mission project unless I have adequately supported the Mission project of the Church with which I voluntarily connected myself.''

—*M. C. G. F.*

WHO WILL OFFER?

During the meetings of the Council Executive we were faced with the fact that the need of a principal for the Girls' School in Formosa had not been met, and it was felt that in the Presbyterian Church there surely must be a young woman with the necessary qualifications for this important post who would respond to the need were it but made known. Believing this, the Council Executive agreed that all branches of the Society be asked at the September meeting, to offer prayer that a University graduate with training as a teacher may speedily be found for the principalship of the Girls' School, Tamsui.

A FINANCIAL STATEMENT

THE Treasurer, Mrs. R. C. Donald, presented the annual financial statement and reported total receipts of $192,591.45, and our Budget for last year was $185,000.00. All the Provincials but one exceeded their allocations. This sounds very wonderful, but we must remember that $4,505.65 of that amount has been received in legacies and $1,757.57 was interest. These sums were not available for current expenses, as legacies must go into that fund and the interest on bonds and pensions must be returned to these accounts. This materially reduces our surplus.

The Treasurer further stated that expenditures in all foreign fields had gone over the estimates and explained that, owing to the splendid work of all our Treasurers in remitting money regularly, we had enough on hand in December to send out the first quarterly estimate of 1930, so that in 1929 we really paid five quarters instead of four. This is as it should be and is something we have never been able to do before.

In December, we were able to add $2,000.00 to the Pension Fund. Our hope is to have enough in that fund that the interest will meet all yearly pensions and the amount we pay into the Church Pension Fund for our workers.

The Treasurer also explained the amount of $10,500.00 in the Bond Account. Of this $9,000.00 belongs to our Pension Fund, the interest of which at 5 per cent. is put back into that Fund twice a year. $1,000.00 is a bond left by our late worker, Miss MacDonald, and $500 is a bond which came from a lady in Brantford.

Our Treasurer also stated that we had done a little more building in India than anticipated, and had another unexpected expenditure of $2,000.00 for three lots in Kobe, Japan.

Speaking of the Legacy Fund, which now amounts to about $8,855.00, the Treasurer stated that our members are beginning to understand the policy in regard to legacies, although all are not clear about it. She told of one Church where a legacy had been left to the W.M.S., and, instead of sending it to be credited to our Legacy Account, which we hope to build up to a Capital Account, they are keeping it and using the interest each year to help out their allocation. The Treasurer urged that all members would adhere to the policy of Council Executive, when they ask that all legacies be sent direct to the General Treasurer in Toronto, to be included in the Legacy Fund.

The Treasurer further reported that on request of the Mission Council of Formosa, we were transferring the balance of the Forward Movement Account from Formosa to our account here. This is being done by depositing in a Forward Movement Account here the quarters estimate, and allowing the Treasurer in Formosa to pay the quarters estimate from Forward Movement Funds there.

The Treasurer also reported that the foreign statements were most satisfactory. Every quarter she receives statements from every foreign field and every statement, so far, had a good balance.

The Treasurer spoke of the struggle the Finance Committee had had to keep our Estimates for 1930 within the $185,000.00 set for us by the Council in Ottawa, in 1929. When the estimates came in we had to cut $11,000.00.

The Treasurer closed by expressing the hope that in 1931 the Finance Committee would not be tied to quite such a narrow margin.

Later the Treasurer asked the Council Executive to set the Estimate for 1931 at $190,000,00 which was accepted.

Pension Fund

MRS. STRACHAN reported that: ''There are now 30 of our workers connected with the Pension Fund, or an increase of 10 since last year's report. Of these, 24 are missionaries overseas, and 6 are workers at home. These have paid their own rates into the fund, according to regulation, and the W.M.S., also according to regulation, has paid 5 per cent. of their salaries into the fund. In 1929 this 5 per cent. amounted to $1,080.75. Two special pensions are paid—one of $600.00 to one of our retired missionaries and one of $500.00 to our former Secretary-Treasurer of Publications.''

Trustees' Report

THE Trustees' report of property in Canada held by the W.M.S., was presented by Mrs. McKerroll. The deeds held amount to $79,688, and include: South Porcupine Hospital and New Liskeard School Home in Ont.; Huntingdon School Home, Que.; Saskatoon School Home, Sask.; Gonor Mission, Selkirk, Man. The Girls' School Home and some furniture at Canora was sold for $1,560. Overseas, we expended $20,000 in new buildings. This property is not held by this Trustee Board, but by Councils on the field, as in most of these countries, the law requires responsible people resident there to hold property.

DEPARTMENTS OF WORK

Organization

THE Corresponding Secretary, Miss MacMurchy, reported a decrease of 712 Auxiliary members, which may have been the consequence of irregular methods in computing attendance, but an increase in funds and general membership (due to our young people). She also referred to the wonderful Auxiliaries in our overseas fields, Formosa and Jhansi, India, so up-to-date in their methods of conducting business. This also applied to Canada, where we have a Chinese Auxiliary in Victoria, and one conducted by the Indian women in Birtle. Miss MacMurchy attributed the success of these Societies to the fact that the women who composed them have kept to one interest.

The discussion emphasized the necessity of the members knowing about our own work, and all agreed ''contributing regularly'' to be the best way of giving.

Home Helpers

MRS. LOGIE pointed out that one of the greatest difficulties in this department was the keeping of the Home Helper funds separate from those of the Auxiliary. In discussion it was shown that the tendency of so many women is to be Home Helpers instead of Auxiliary Members. The feeling of the Executive was that we must stress Auxiliary membership, only exceptional circumstances creating Home Helpers. Auxiliary membership is our ideal.

Young Women's Auxiliaries

MRS. THOS. FINDLEY reported progress all along the line—19 more Auxiliaries, 374 new members and increased contributions. At present, the activities of the girls are, in many cases, devoted to local interests, but the Secretary feels certain that if the girls are properly guided their gifts will go through the right channels.

Girls' Work

GIRLS' WORK—the vital subject of the hour, was introduced by Miss Gray. She told of the increased givings of the girls and their delight at being asked to take over the support of Dr. Caroline Macdonald's work among the girls in industry in Japan. This, she explained, is just to be the ordinary givings of the girls, but designated to a special piece of work, and is to be sent through the regular channels, not direct to the Head Office. Referring to the classification of all branches under one covering name, Miss Gray stated that it was thought wiser, for the present, to continue the general term, Girls' Organizations, which leaves the girls free to call themselves, Guilds, Guides, Clubs, Organized Classes or C.G.I.T. To the last mentioned the greatest proportion belong, which is natural, considering that 37,000 girls of all denominations in Canada—are a part of this great movement. Its programme commends itself not only to Canadian girls, for the Japanese have asked if they may translate it into their language, and our missionaries in India and Formosa have sent for C.G.I.T. material so that they may start groups for the girls in these fields; while in Canada, our Church has Indian, Chinese and Ukrainian groups.

Mission Bands

WITH a note of joy in her voice, Mrs. Dill announced that the Mission Bands had gone over the 500 mark. She urged that Provincial Mission Band Secretaries report the organization of all new Bands to the Council Mission Band Secretary, and asked the Provincial Presidents to take as their slogan, ''What we have we hold'', or, in other words, do not let the Bands lapse. Two discouraging notes were—lack of leaders and lack of interest in the Band on the part of the older people, especially the mothers.

Students

MRS. CALVIN told of the four Provincial Secretaries already at work and of one in particular who was in touch with 63 nurses and 47 students. The task had been thus summed up in a letter: ''I think with you, that the important thing is to keep in friendly touch with the students and maintain a thread of continuity, so that if they do decide to return to the fold after their wanderings, the way is natural and defined for them.'' Mrs. Calvin also stated that representatives are being sent this summer to Student Conferences and that it is hoped, by means of an enlarged grant to the department, to send a number of students to the Quadrennial Conference of the Student Volunteer Movement next year.

In discussion it was shown that personal interest in students and nurses brings results and that Auxiliaries could help very much by sending the names of Presbyterian students and nurses to the Provincial Student Secretaries.

Candidates

SIXTY applications for work in 1929 was felt by the Secretary, Mrs. D. Inglis Grant, to be an evidence of increased interest in this Department. At present there are no vacancies in our national work, but overseas there is always urgent need. India requires, a lady doctor; Manchuria, a nurse evangelist; Formosa, a university trained woman for the Principalship of the Girls' School, Tamsui, and two evangelistic workers. For many years an appeal has gone forth for a music teacher for Formosa; to-day Miss Isabel Taylor, of Orillia, is training for this post, and will be ready to go out next year. But, so far, the post of Principal of the Girls' School remains unfilled. So urgent is this need that the Council Executive decided to ask that, at the September meeting, special prayer be offered by all our Auxiliaries that a suitable young woman may be led to offer herself for this important position.

In closing Mrs. Grant paid tribute to the influence of Miss Ferguson, Principal of the Training Home, and quoted Professor Brydon's tribute to our outgoing missionaries. He said, in effect, ''They have splendid mental equipment. They came into lectures not knowing all, but ready and anxious to learn. They took the same lectures as those prepared for the men. It never occurred to me to change the men's lectures to suit these deaconesses. In spirit they are one of the finest groups with which it has been my privilege to work. There was no thought of self seeking; their whole mind and heart were given over to doing their best for their Church. This is the spirit that will put heart into our Church and make it.''

Tribute to the Field Secretaries

WARM tribute was paid Miss Pelton, our Field Secretary by the western representatives. With genuine appreciation each told of her visit to her province, her inspiring message and her splendid course of lectures, which already have proved a real contribution in interest and leadership among the young people. Appreciation of Miss Lamont's services in Ontario and Quebec is equally fine. Stratford P.S. requests that we mention their indebtedness to Miss Lamont for the splendid addresses given at their sectional meeting and various Auxiliaries. They were both instructive, interesting and much enjoyed. This is only one of many tributes which came.

Miss MacMurchy asked that the people ''blow the horn for the Field Secretaries'' as they cannot blow it for themselves.

Supplies

THIS department, said Mrs. Fletcher, provides the supplies needed in our various departments of work—Hospital, School Home, Indian School, Deaconess and Chinese. In addition it provides many bales of clothing for distribution on the mission fields and Indian Reserves under the care of our Church. Its aim is to provide supplies that will adequately meet the needs. To accomplish this, several things are essential:

1. *Lists of requirements.*—These lists are prepared by the Superintendents of hospitals and school homes and the matrons of Indian schools, a year in advance of the time the supplies are needed. This calls for foresight on the part of those who prepare these lists.

2. *Definite allocations.*—From these lists of requirements your Secretary prepares an allocation for each Provincial Society. The Provincial allocation is then divided among the Presbyterials, and again among the Auxiliaries and other branches. These allocations are made in the fall and the supplies are prepared during the winter.

3. *Strict adherence to allocations is essential.*—This responsibility rests largely on the Presbyterial Supply Secretaries who superintend the packing and shipping of bales to final destination. When packing a bale, especially for a hospital or school home, care should be taken to see that the bale contains the articles listed in the allocations, and that it is addressed correctly. The requirement for boots for children in our Indian schools is $7.00 per pupil per year. Only about two-thirds of the required amount was provided.

Invoices, shipping bills and receipt slips.—Careful attention to all the details in connection with shipping the supplies is required. Invoices should be correctly filled in, shipping bills receipted, receipt slips signed. This is important, especially in the case of supplies sent to Indian schools. The Dominion Government reimburses our Society for the amount of the freight charges paid on these supplies on presentation of the proper vouchers—

invoices, shipping bills and receipt slips. These vouchers should reach the Supply Secretary of the Council as soon as possible after the shipments are made.

The hearty co-operation of all our members is needed for the effective administration of the Department.

Lantern Slides

MRS. C. S. McDonald speaking for her department, listed the needs thus:

1. Return slides promptly. If they are delayed, we cannot supply other requests.
2. Do not mark lecturettes on the margin.
3. Leaders should familiarize themselves with the latest information about the field, as sometimes the data on the slides is out of date.
4. Suggest that small sets of slides on our institutions be provided for the ministers when speaking on the budget.

The President paid tribute to the great work done by Mrs. McDonald, and Mrs. McKerroll, as a member of the Joint Lantern Slide Committee, in the name of that Committee, expressed the sense of obligation on the part of the Church of Mrs. McDonald's work.

A new set on our Churches and Institutions in Canada is now ready and should prove very valuable.

Library

MISS C. G. KERR urged sending good books in good condition. She explained her procedure in giving supplies to student missionaries as they leave for their fields, and stated that Dr. Kannawin will send Sunday School papers for three months to students on the mission fields, if requested. The method followed by the Secretary was considered most satisfactory.

The President paid tribute to the Bible Society which generously provided a Bible in the vernacular for every outgoing missionary.

Publications

GREAT interest centered in Mrs. Ballantyne's announcement that she was engaged in writing the study books for the Auxiliaries and Girls' Organizations. The title of the Auxiliary book is ''Ambassadors of Good Will'', that for the teen-age girls ''Over the Seas to China.''

Summing up the needs of the year as she saw them, Mrs. Ballantyne stated that she felt urged to promote a missionary bookshelf in every Church. The women of our Auxiliaries are responsible for having material available and if such a bookshelf were established members could turn in their study books, or add new ones. Few people object to preparing papers if books are available.

New books were enumerated, and outside members were urged to visit our offices. Every province contributed to the discussion which followed. A Presbyterial lending library and the establishing of a central bureau of literature for the four western provinces were the main themes. No definite action was taken although all agreed that the widest possible use should be made of our literature.

Glad Tidings

ADVANCE has been the watchword of the *Glad Tidings* for the past five years, and the Editor, Miss Fraser, was able to announce that this year was no exception. Eight extra pages were added to the September or Council number, and a permanent cover of better quality of paper provided. Subscriptions also increased but not in sufficient number to meet the cost of the improved magazine. The result was a deficit of $474.71—the first since 1925. The fact that balances for the other years totalled $2,725.00 left the Editor wondering if we save in the rich years against a lean year is the deficit a loss? Increased subscriptions would turn this deficit into a balance and the Editor urged that an effort be made to bring the subscriptions up to 25,000.

An interesting discussion followed on the best use of space in the magazine, the necessity of preventing repetition, such as Life members' names appearing in both Provincial News and Life Membership lists, and ways and means of increasing subscriptions. As the last is a vital problem. The Executive suggested:

> **"That a drive be made at the September meeting for an increase in 'Glad Tidings' subscriptions, that at this meeting the 'Tidings' and its great value to this Society be featured so that those who are going out to canvass for subscriptions would have information and inspiration in making their appeal."**

NATIONAL MISSION WORK

Hospitals

NO more effective presentation of the hospital work at Fort McMurray could have been given than the reading, by Miss Pringle, of extracts from Miss Ross' letters. Space only allows us to quote from one:

"This is my fourth winter here and it is the quietest I have experienced as regards sickness. It has been the longest and coldest in the last twenty years. One thing is evident, cold weather is healthy, for I have not even heard of any children being out of school through illness. It is when the warm weather starts we look for sick children. I am very much afraid they do not get the best in the way of fresh air and sunshine in their small houses. One family where there were nine children, six slept in one bed, three at the head and three at the foot. Really it seems pathetic.

So many sad things confront one during the cold dark days and one is the poor old people. I had occasion to come across two such, long past the three score and ten, not grumbling or complaining but merely trusting that light would come somehow and, while it was not my duty, perhaps, nevertheless I was able to help until the proper authorities came to the fore.

During the summer months, the boys of Fort McMurray thoroughly enjoyed the tent which I purchased with funds sent by a Boys' Mission Band. They used it for their meetings and for reading. At the end of the season I entertained them at supper.

There is the entertaining of the patients to be considered, along with the nursing duties, etc. This has been quite an easy task with the aid of a beautiful gramophone sent by one of the ladies from Edmonton soon after I came, and which has brought joy to many hearts, for they are all very fond of music. On one occasion I had a little boy deliver it on his sleigh to a dear old lady down the river, who had not heard any music for three years. She enjoyed it immensely. Besides this, I have a large number of books which have been sent to me. And with several magazines sent by different organizations I have the nucleus of a library and am able to help those who have long days at hard and arduous duties, enjoy a pleasant evening with a good book.

There are several returned soldiers up here who long for the outdoor life of which they had so much for those five years, and they are content to take any job which will grant that desire. Since the arrival of the aeroplane, a good many have been done out of such work as driving the mail by dog team, freight, etc.

Sometimes, on looking back, I have wondered what I have done. But I know you will agree with me that the strain one undergoes is greater than the actual work. For instance, one March, just when one expects spring is near at hand, there were no less than four patients about to visit me. That meant each night before I went to bed, I had to make sure that I had two kettles of boiling water (one cool), and that the gasoline lamps were filled for emergency, and then wonder what hour the bell would ring that night. That was the longest month I think I ever experienced.

The little children are growing into such nice girls and boys and I try to assist in holding their attention at Sunday School. In these modern days when the Sabbath is used for the chief amusement day, it is difficult and even here their little minds are turned toward the river at the skating rink. However, if they are absent and I go and visit them during the week, they feel a little guilty and all turn out in full force the next Sunday.''

Miss Pringle further stated that the closing of the Dome Mines was responsible for lessening the population, and therefore of patients at South Porcupine Hospital.

Mrs. Poole reported the heaviest year in the history of the ''Hugh Waddell'' Hospital, Canora, and paid tribute to the five ward helpers, representing four nationalities, and the splendid work of the Hospital Aid which had donated an operating lamp costing over $400. The hennery has proved a profitable venture, providing 600 dozen eggs and fresh eggs all winter.

The ''R. M. Boswell'' Hospital, Vegreville, has had fewer patients because of crop failures. The installation of town water has been a great comfort, and the frigidaire and other gifts by the Hospital Aid have been greatly appreciated, as have also the many kindnesses of the townspeople in both Canora and Vegreville.

School Homes

OUR five school homes and their different problems were presented for discussion by Mrs. Donald Gordon.

In Vegreville, Alta., where we have two homes, the older boys and girls go to the high school, the primary children are taught by our own teacher, as there is no accommodation for them in the public school. An addition to Vegreville school was planned, but times were too hard, and it was delayed. Mrs. Robertson, the Superintendent, stated, ''That they lost children because new schools were being opened in certain districts,'' and told of one section where there was a new school every four miles, so, naturally, when children are within walking distance of a school, there is not the same need for a school home. In the near future it may be necessary to consider the question of moving the home to an outlying place.

Saskatoon school home has an entirely different problem. The average attendance is 33, and includes university, high school and business girls. It is a training school for leaders and talents are being developed which the girls did not know they possessed. They had the benefit of Miss Pelton's course of lectures and are greatly in love with missions. Every Tuesday morning these girls have a prayer meeting remembering our Council Executive.

Prince Albert, Sask.—In the ''Lucy M. Baker'' home there is a happy healthful household. We have four wards here and the placing of them is our problem.

Huntingdon, Que.—The problem here has been one of providing quarters outside of the home for contagious diseases. We have, however, been able to make arrangements with a woman who will keep a room ready to take in any contagious case and look after the child.

New Liskeard has eight pupils. The need here is more students.

Welcome and Welfare and Deaconess Work

MRS. McMULLEN reported 12 workers in these two departments and the need of changes in report forms. With joy she announced that at last the Government has provided our workers at Quebec port with an office. She stressed the increasing calls for deaconesses, and paid tribute to the excellent work of Miss Grigor and Mrs. McLean in British Coulmbia. The request for a leaflet for use in British Columbia and other provinces, explaining the difference between the recent union between the Presbyterian Churches in Scotland, and that of three different denominations in Canada in 1925 was presented, and will be granted. The announcement also was made, that new building is to go up at Gonor Mission, Man., where Mrs. MacKenzie has labored so faithfully in inadequate quarters.

Miss Murray, our veteran hospital worker, gave a moving story of human need and how she sought to meet it from day to day.

Mrs. Strachan expressed the feeling of the Executive when she said, ''No one could present our God and Saviour to the sick, the lonely, and the outcast, as does Miss Murray.''

New Canadians at East Selkirk, Manitoba

Indian Work

MRS. McKERROLL told of the 187 Indian children under the care of the W.M.S. In Mistawasis, Sask., there is a change in staff, Mr. Moore having been appointed teacher in the place of Miss McQueen who left in June. Attention was also drawn to the very fine Chief there who is so anxious to have his children brought up as Presbyterians. There are 15 children on the roll.

The new ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' school at Kenora, Ont., is very fine and can house 85 pupils. Warm tribute was paid to the Indian Department at Ottawa, to Dr. Duncan Scott, and others, for their generosity and the great interest they had shown in this building. The establishment of a Presbyterian cause in Kenora will greatly increase the religious influence.

At Birtle, Man., a new school is about to be erected on the present site and 595 additional acres round the school have been purchased by the Government at a cost to them of $8,500. An encouraging fact is the number of children who became communicants and the reflex influence of this act on others.

Mrs. McKerroll described the Bird Tail Church and how encouraging it was to see the young married Indian women, who had been trained by our W.M.S., taking their part in the work of their Church and leading a W.M.S. It is hoped that some form of follow-up work will be devised in connection with our schools.

Quite a number of reserves in northern Saskatchewan have asked the Government to erect a residential school in northern Saskatchewan. Their plea has been sympathetically received.

Orientals in Canada

The Chinese

MRS. HANNA announced certain changes in her department, chief of which is that Miss Ethel Reid, on the invitation of the Church of Christ in China, will proceed to China this autumn to take up work in co-operation with that body. Miss Dickson had hoped to accompany Miss Reid but illness prevents her going at present.

In Vancouver work has been carried on in a most unsuitable place. However, a grant from the Board of Mission has enabled them to erect a suitable building in this, the most strategic point in connection with the Chinese work in Canada.

We have now ten paid and two voluntary workers. Special mention was made of the splendid voluntary service of Mrs. Walter Martin, of Regina. She keeps track of all the Chinese women in Saskatchewan, and sends literature to them every two weeks. Equally rich service is being given by Miss Davies, of Brockville. Similar service could be undertaken elsewhere, for many of the Chinese are moving into the smaller places.

There are two Chinese congregations, one in Vancouver and one in Victoria. Each has a Mission Band, and one has a C.G.I.T. Group and Trail Rangers.

In discussion it was brought out that there are 14 Chinese women in Calgary all connected with interdenominational mission work, and that in Toronto two Chinese girls are at the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home, one is studying medicine, the other, kindergarten and music. Both are going back to China as missionaries.

Tribute was paid all our missionaries who are engaged in this fine piece of friendship work.

OVERSEAS MISSION WORK

British Guiana

"BRITISH GUIANA, the little sister overseas, seems not to have received the same attention as some of the larger fields," said Mrs. Rice. This may be because in British Guiana, hospitals and schools are provided by the Government, whereas in our other overseas fields the W.M.S. provides these institutions. At present there are 34 Government schools under the missionaries' care. The work of our high school is to train teachers for the primary schools, and our part is to make these schools efficient and, at the same time, provide as much Christian teaching as possible.

Miss Murray, Principal of the Girls' High School, New Amsterdam, who only went out for a term of years, is leaving in 1931, and we will need some one to take her place. She has done an excellent piece of work. There are now 34 pupils in attendance. Eight passed the Cambridge examinations which correspond somewhat to Junior and Senior matriculation. Sewing, cooking and laundry work is taught in the lower forms, music is an extra. Book-keeping was also taught and next year Miss Murray hopes to add shorthand.

The Girls' Training Home lapsed, but we understand the foundation for the new Home has been laid, and Miss Barlow who has been taking a special course will take charge. She will work under the Eastern Division which is giving the money for the erection of the Home.

Manchuria

MISS GOWANS paid tribute to Miss Crockett who is applying herself to acquiring a new language, and asked for sympathetic prayer for our missionaries, Miss Graham and Miss Kok, who are under a constant strain speaking to those who may never hear the gospel again. In all they attempt they are actuated by but one desire, to seek and to save. To this end each, in turn, visits the shops and gives out leaflets by the thousands, visits the government schools, teaches the children and the old people who have not had the chance to learn to read, holds meetings for women and children, and even addresses the men. The great need is workers. At present they have to depend on other schools for their helpers. We must look forward to having a Bible School from which we can draw young women who will teach the Bible.

South China

DR. JESSIE MacBEAN, Chief of the Department of Obstetrics, in Hackett Medical College, Canton, is greatly encouraged over the progress in health work,—the Pre- and Post-Natal Clinics for mothers and babies, the Home Visiting and Mothers' Club. Miss Ng Tsit Wa, the first nurse from South China to be graduated in Public Health, is now supervising the Pre- and Post-Natal Clinics, and the Child Welfare Clinic. Under her supervision two of their third year nursing students are going out doing ''home visiting''. This follow-up work has been a wonderful help to the department. Dr. MacBean gave a three months' course of lectures in Home Sanitation and Personal Hygiene to the Students of the Home Arts Course in Lingram University. She believes that preventive medicine is China's greatest need to-day.

Mrs. Strachan referred to the return of Miss Ethel C. Reid to S. China this fall, which means the opening of a door which was closed to us five years ago, and that is now opened to us by the Chinese themselves. Miss Agnes I. Dickson hoped to accompany Miss Reid, but health reasons have necessitated delay.

Formosa

PREFACING her story of the work, Mrs. Martin spoke of the harmony on the field, and of the affection in which Mrs. Gauld, our senior missionary, was held by all. She pictured how the Girls' School, with its fine equipment, aims to educate girls and fit them physically, medically and educationally to spread the gospel.

The Women's School is much before the public eye at present for Mrs. Chi-oang, a member of a tribe counted the fiercest of all the hill tribes, known as the head hunters, and who has taken a course in the School, has gone back to teach her own people. Her expenses are being met by the Formosan W.M.S. This is the first instance of a savage woman becoming a Christian evangelist, and is a direct answer to prayer.

Mrs. Martin then described the successful kindergarten, the new wing for Formosan nurses which has been added to the nurses' residence, and the appreciation of the Japanese Government on the establishment of a midwifery course. The fact that the Government gave a permit to our kindergarten and that certain rooms in the Hospital are reserved for civic infection cases is a proof of the harmony which exists between the Government and the missionaries.

The aim of all our work is evangelism. The needs are: a principal for the Girls' School; a kindergarten teacher; 2 evangelistic workers.

In connection with Dr. Gushue-Taylor's leper work, our Society is giving $5,000 over a term of years for a chapel at the Happy Mount Leper Colony.

India

THE work here is growing steadily, said Mrs. McMurrich. When Miss Robson returned to the Bhil Field in 1927 she was instructed, as were also our Gwalior missionaries, to send in a list of the needs. This was done, with the result that in two years we were able to grant three-quarters of the most urgent. In the Bhil field: Jobat bungalow is finished, the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home'' at

Amkhut is nearly completed, and the Toran Mall bungalow is going up. We still need a medical woman for Amkhut and a motor for Miss McConnell. In Gwalior we need a hostel in connection with the "Helen Macdonald" School. The School is filled to capacity. It is under Government supervision and we must comply with Government requirements.

Special tribute was paid Miss Stringer, our first India missionary teacher, and to Miss Whatling. Mrs. C. S. McDonald, who has visited India, and has acted as India Secretary during Mrs. McMurrich's illness, told of the wonderful progress that has been made in the Gwalior field. In two and a half years the attendance at the School increased from 25 to 76. The Boys' School was the same. A junior choir had been started and previous to the communion service, a communicant's class was held. A W.M.S. has also been organized and the collection goes to the support of two Bible women for two months.

A class of Bhil Christians, Mrs. D. E. McDonald in the background

Miss Whatling, our evangelistic worker, has gained access to outlying villages, varying in population from 300 to 3,000, and is rejoicing over the new bungalow at Barragoon, entirely finished August 1st. Progress has been made in spite of very serious handicaps and, throughout all, the letters of the missionaries have invariably breathed a spirit of optimism and interest.

A surplus from last year's estimates will go towards supplying a car for Miss Simpson which is imperative if she is to do the necessary work. She is to be congratulated on passing her exams. when so much interrupted in her studies.

Four new missionaries go out to India in the fall, Miss Ellen Douglas and Miss Soutar to Amkhut, and Miss Moodie and Miss Timney to Gwalior.

Japan

MRS. N. H. McGILLIVRAY, in opening the discussion on our newest mission work, that among the Koreans in Japan, acknowledged the debt we owe to Mrs. L. L. Young, who, notwithstanding ill health, has kept open house for the Koreans and missionaries, and also prepared a valuable map of Japan for our Church. The outstanding need is a Bible School where Korean helpers can be trained, but owing to lack of funds, this cannot be granted this year. A bungalow is being erected for the missionaries, as, this fall, we will have four ladies in Japan, two under the Eastern Division and two under the Western. Miss Anderson, a finely equipped teacher, is the new Western appointee, and Miss Gladys Murphy, the Eastern.

The request of Dr. Caroline Macdonald for an additional $500 this year for her work among the girls in industry could not be granted.

Nominating Committee

THE Convener, Miss M. M. Reid, reported the resignation of Mrs. C. S. McDonald, Lantern Slide Secretary, and the appointment of Mrs. W. R. Adamson, of Oakville, to fill the vacancy on the Executive. The names of the members of the Council Executive were presented to this meeting and were elected subsequently by the General Assembly.

BUSINESS

Constitution (1929 Annual Report)

Life Memberships (Junior)—Consecutive Payments.—Agreed that a footnote be added to par. XXIX, p. 202, ''If a child cannot, for good and sufficient reasons, make its payment each year, the Provincial Societies have power to deal with such cases, so that the child may not lose the money already paid.''

Home Helpers.—Par. IV, p. 198, last line to read: ''are members of the Women's Missionary Society.'' P. 202, Clause XXXIII, last line to read: ''And is a member of the Women's Missionary Society.''

Y. W. Auxiliaries and Junior Auxiliaries.—Clause XXVII, p. 201, to read: ''Any group of young women who wish to be known as a Young Women's Auxiliary, or any group of girls who wish to be known as a Junior Auxiliary of the Women's Missionary Society, may adopt the Auxiliary Constitution, and should report to the Young Women's Secretary of the Presbyterial.''

Mission Bands.—Clause XXVIII, p. 201, divided. Junior to read: ''Any group of children. . . . Society.'' Senior to read: ''Any group of girls or young people. . . . Society.''

Girls' Organizations is the new heading for Clause XXXII, p. 202. Clause to read: ''Any organization for girls, whether Canadian Girls in Training group, Girl Guide company, Girls' Guild, or organized class, may become affiliated with the Women's Missionary Society by taking up regular mission study and contributing to the funds or assisting in any other way the work of the Society.''

Provincial Literature Secretary.—There is no by-law defining the duties of this officer. Provincial Executives have power to draw one up and submit it to the Council Executive, giving the necessary three months' notice of motion for such an addition to its by-laws.

Notice of Motion.—''Notice of motion is hereby given for any changes and adjustments in the Constitution made necessary by the holding of Biennial Meetings, more especially with regard to clauses 7 and 8, 9 and 10, Annual Report, page 199, which deal with the powers and duties of the Council and its Executive.''

Junior Pins.—Pins with a safety catch at a charge of 10 cents extra can be obtained from the Publications Department.

Honorary Membership Pin.—Accepted design of present Life Membership Pin with bar added, engraved with words ''Honorary Member.''

Bureau of Literature.—Agreed, ''That the whole question of wider distribution of literature, and a Central Bureau of Literature for the four Western Provinces be referred to them for consideration and inter-Provincial conference if possible.''

Deaconess for Peace River.—This request could not be met at present. Agreed that if it be renewed it have first claim for expansion in the Deaconess Department.

Council Meeting for 1931.—Accepted invitation to meet in First Church, Winnipeg. —*M.C.G.F.*

Closing Words

MRS. D. STRACHAN

We see not yet all things (put under him) subdued unto man, but we see Jesus.—Hebrews 2:8, 9.

WE have had a wonderful story of opportunity unfolded to us, opportunity for service at our door, in our own fields which goes undone if we neglect it. I know each of us is going back to her appointed place fired with a determination to stir up in herself and others the pure fire of remembrance, remembrance of His love and great goodness to us in so highly favoring us, and remembrance also of our responsibility in making Christ known and trusted and loved and obeyed in all human relationships.

At times we are apt to grow discouraged, especially those who are leaders and have the administering of the work of the Society, either in the Council Executive, Provincial and Presbyterial, where so much of the detail of work comes that we are apt to lose the great sweep of it. So much of petty misunderstandings—small bickerings which assume magnified proportions—over-zealousness and any number of other ills which flesh is heir to. Then it is that we must rise above all this and ''see Jesus''. And in our own land in our own national work we must not allow ourselves to be overpowered by seeming indifference, by evils great and serious in our beloved land that threaten to devour us, by excessive pleasure-seeking, by all we hear of socialism, communism, materialism and all the other isms. We see not yet all things subdued unto man, but we *see Jesus.*

In our overseas fields if one just sat down and took each of our fields separately and thought of our small staff, overtaxed, the fields white unto the harvest, all that is left undone, the tremendous problems and upheavals in China and India, wars and rumors of wars, if we thought and saw only this how discouraged we would be. But above all this we see Jesus, the same yesterday, to-day and forever. Let Him speak the word, ''I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me.''

So as we leaders turn again to our task for another year, both what is begun and what is unfinished, we must first see Jesus ourselves. That is essential before we can arouse much enthusiasm in those we strive to lead. We must see Him as our personal Saviour, able to save unto the uttermost.

And as we look we will see Him too as the great Physician, the Friend of little children, the Defender of the Magdalene, the Saviour of the sinner, the Friend of the outcast, the Comforter in the house of mourning, the welcome Guest at the wedding feast, the elder Brother, the Stay of the lonely who has said, ''I will never leave thee nor forsake thee.''

We see Him, too, as the Christ before whom all men are equal, who knows no class distinction, no color, no creed, but whose followers are those who deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow Him. We see Him, too, as the Saviour of the world, the universal Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords. If we see Jesus along all these avenues, and who of us has not experienced them all, then we simply see our own mission work. With the seeing may God grant us a deeper and more conscious belief in our mission and a ''greater recognition of the divinely planned tasks of our Society and of ourselves as the God-appointed agents.''

It is said that most Mission Boards are facing a steady decline in missionary interest, that we have come to the end as far as human influence is concerned, and that what all need is a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Whether the first statement is true or not, and God forbid it should be so, the second is—we do as a Church need a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We need a fresh vision of the Christ and His purpose for the world.

There are so many of our Church women who apparently take no notice of mission appeals. Some who are living selfish worldly lives, others living indifferent and unresponsive lives— ''and even those who fain would serve Thee best, are conscious most of wrong within.'' Oh, that we all would see Jesus as our risen Saviour and realize anew the fact of His resurrection, and hear His command ''Go ye. . . .'' and realize that missions is not a question of our like or dislike, but a part of the lordship of Christ and His programme for the world.

At Atlantic City, I heard Miss Butler introduce Miss Tupper, of India, who is to write the programme for the Day of Prayer for 1932. She told of three dawns she had seen in India. First, the dawn over the mountains when the highest peak was touched with the first light and then suddenly as if a great paint brush had wrought it, every peak was suffused with light—it was the dawn of a new day in India. The second, over the Taj Mahal when the highest minarets of that wonderful white marble shrine were touched with pink and the color spread from point to point, till the whole temple was turned to pink. It was the dawn of a new day in India. The third, again one night I sat in our mission and saw a young Indian man and his young wife stand up and, together, before the congregation sing a Christian hymn. Such a thing had never been heard before. They were the father and mother of Miss Tupper. It was the dawn of a new day for India.

Pray for the dawn of a new day here when all the women of our Church will realize anew that the missionary enterprise is the supreme task for which the Church has come into existence.

To-day let us pledge ourselves afresh to our great task and putting aside all else, see no man but Jesus only. And as we look we will move forward and our work will prosper in our hands for we have His promise: ''I am Jehovah thy God who leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.''

Lead on O King Eternal.

GREAT MISSIONARY SERVICE

Mrs. William Gauld

Miss Gretta Gauld, R.N.

Mrs. William Gauld, of Formosa, and her daughter, Miss Gretta Gauld, R.N., have arrived in Canada. Mrs. Gauld has devoted the last 38 years to the musical education of the Formosans and has also rendered a valuable contribution to the religious and social life of the people. Miss Gauld has been a member of the staff of the Mackay Memorial Hospital, Taihoku, since 1924. Their many friends throughout Canada unite in saying "welcome home."

Mrs. Gauld Celebrates Her 38th Anniversary in Formosa

MRS. GUSHUE-TAYLOR

MRS. GAULD'S 38th anniversary was a great day. It happened to be the Emperor's birthday, so everywhere looked and felt festive. It was a general holiday too. We had a big service in Daitotei Church, which was very prettily decorated with bright flowers, and there was a piano as well as the organ for the musical part of the programme. The choir, which Mrs. Gauld had trained and conducted, did splendidly. There were many congratulatory speeches, some by Japanese, and the Japanese choir contributed several hymns unaccompanied. Then came the presentation and photographs taken at different stages of the function.

From the Church most of the people went to a big Chinese feast at one of the hotels. Some of us had to hurry home and miss this part of the programme, as it was to begin at 1 p.m., and at 1.50 p.m. we had to be received at the Governor-General's palace for the big garden party and entertainment. Mrs. Gauld and Miss Gauld came later, but got just into the end of the stream of entries, and after the entertainment Mrs. Gauld was taken in and introduced to the Governor-General himself.

Formosa Church, farewell to Mrs. Gauld

We got home about 5 p.m., and at 7 o'clock all went to the big Government Medical School hall for Mrs. Gauld's concert given on behalf of the Workhouse. The hall was full and the pupils did splendidly. A part of Haydn's Creation was given in Japanese, also four sacred songs by the choir, pianoforte duets, solos, glee club songs, violin solos and

Mrs. Douglas Wilkie sang very sweetly. Everyone went home very tired and happy. I have not heard yet how much money was realized, but it will be a nice cheer-up for the Workhouse.

No one knows how badly Mrs. Gauld will be missed. Dr. Landsborough is always reputed to be the best beloved man in Formosa. There is no doubt as to who is the best loved woman!

Happy Closing of Summer School for Chinese Children

THE closing excercises of the summer school for Chinese children was held on August 1st, at 2 p.m., and your representatives were invited to attend by our own Miss Dickson.

Rev. T. K. Ma was in the chair, and the songs sung and psalms recited by the little bright eyed children were more than delightful—they were inspiring.

Prizes and certificates of merit were presented, and indeed it seemed as if every child should have been rewarded, so industriously have all classes from kindergarten to seniors been working on their hymns, songs and scripture lessons.

The entertainment closed with all of them singing the ''School Song'' and Rev. Mr. Ma pronouncing the closing prayer. Tea and refreshments were then served by the boys and girls. A large number of Chinese mothers were present, and visitors especially enjoyed the exhibition of work done by the children.

Missionaries as Pioneer Explorers

IT is not out of place in this, a woman's paper, to join with the enthusiastic multitude in congratulations to Amy Johnson on her achievement. Again the track has been blazed to hitherto unthought-of achievement by women, by this unassuming and courageous girl. Her coolness in great danger, her judgment, her tenacity of purpose have brought her well-merited reward—they have done far more in proving that such qualities open up any avenue of service for women. It was fitting that she should land in Australia on Empire Day, for deeds such as hers forge the links of Empire and more, the admiration accorded her by all nations proves that they help world unity. And she herself has told that in her moments of greatest danger, she was kept calm and strong by the sense of Divine guidance and protection.

We thank God for the noble and courageous pioneer women of the past, to whom perhaps such an act of physical daring would have been possible, but who, in the face of opposition and obliquy, have shown marvellous moral courage and done tremendous things for the sake of others. We think of the long succession—of Florence Nightingale, Elizabeth Fry, Frances Willard, Jane Adams, Emily Pankhurst, Caroline Chisholm, Pandita Ramabai, Mary Slessor and many another who in hospital, slums, and prison at home, or in tropical isolation in a strange land, have given their lives in service for their sisters, or by sheer determination have fought down opposition that woman might come into her own. And the very fact that to Amy Johnson is given not only the admiration of her own sex, but ungrudgingly and gladly that of everybody, shows that the position has been won.

And once again we see how much the world owes to missions. Aviation, wireless and all the marvels of modern science are bringing the ends of the world to us and making great things possible. But supposing the missionaries had not been on Timor before Amy Johnson landed among those ''savages'', what would have happened? We need to remind ourselves very often that missionaries have been the great pioneer explorers, and that mission work has done more than anything else to make the world safe for humanity.

The above interesting editorial appears in ''Ministering Women''—the official magazine of the Women's Missionary Association, New South Wales.—EDITOR.

The Simon Report—In Praise of Indian Missions

THE Report informs us that the Indian Christian Community claims to be the third largest religious body in India, numbering in British India and the Indian states combined about 4,500,000 souls, of whom 2,755,000 live directly under British rule.

A warm tribute is paid to the work of Christian missionaries. ''It was the missionaries,'' the Report says, ''who were among the pioneers of education for the illiterate; they maintain some of the best medical institutions in the country; and their work among women and children, and for the depressed classes is of special significance. Not the least admirable feature of their activities is that they have carried on their labors without offending the susceptibilities either of Moslem or Hindu, and have lived at peace and amity with their neighbors.''

In referring to the ''untouchable'' or depressed castes, the Report says: ''The Missions have done splendid work in giving them a new dignity and a new hope; and we must mention with admiration the efforts which we saw being made by the Salvation Army for some of the most degraded.''

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

HOLIDAYS are over, and the Publications department is getting ready for the big fall rush. It is such an exciting time, with everyone enquiring about the new study books, and all manner of special helps to go with the programmes being planned for 1930-31. A few books and leaflets have been listed in the new Auxiliary book, ''Ambassadors of Good Will'', which will simplify the ordering, but space would not permit the publishing of all our list of books and leaflets. However, our stock has never been more extensive, and complete than it is now, so write your Literature Secretary for books suitable for both church and home reading.

AMBASSADORS OF GOOD WILL is now ready for distribution. The book tells of the work at home and in our overseas fields, which we support, and gives the highlights of the recent achievements. The price is only 25c, and the book is illustrated. So that each member may have her own copy, we are making a special price of $2.50 per dozen books. A list of missionaries in all the fields is given, suggestions for promoting interest are compiled, in response to a number of enquiries for these, and also a list of books and leaflets bearing on the various chapters, for those who wish more information on the work. Order the study book through your literature secretary in single copies, or dozen lots.

OVER THE SEAS TO CHINA is the new book for Girls' Organizations, and this gives not only a brief chapter on the history of China, but tells much that is fascinating about our new field in Manchuria. There are some excellent pictures, a suggested programme, and all the interesting things about this country, which is so much before the world to-day, with its changing customs and outlook. That each girl may have her own copy, we are selling this book in lots of $2.50 per dozen copies, or 25c. per single copy.

NEW LEAFLETS of special interest to the girls who will study China this year, and for all in the church interested in our work there, are the following:

Little Witch and Sister, a delightful story, price 5c.
Glimpses of Chinese Village Life, illustrated, 15c.
The Chinese Young Woman Yesterday, and To-day, 10c.
The Boat People of China, a story for children, 5c.
A Day With A Chinese Doctor, giving two stories, 3c.

BLIND CHANG is a splendid little story, written by Mrs. Goforth, and is selling for 25c. per copy. We know you will like it.

MISSIONARY METHODS FOR CHURCH AND HOME, by Katharine S. Cronk, is a splendid book to read for the woman seeking new ideas for her fall programme. It should be in every Auxiliary. Price per copy, $1.50.

DEEDS DONE FOR CHRIST, by Sir James Marchant, is a book of Christian martyrs, describing the outstanding missionaries of the ages. It is well worth having. Price per copy, $2.00.

THANK-OFFERING PRAYER. This year a Thank-offering poem takes the place of the customary leaflet. Sufficient have been printed to allow one for each envelope.

Prayer

O THOU Who art the King eternal, immortal, invisible, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto, we come before Thy throne humbly confessing our sins of omission and commission which Thou so well dost know. We adore and praise Thee for the loving kindness which invites and welcomes us through the merits of Jesus, our Redeemer and ever-living Friend. We pray for our great British Empire and all in authority under Thee and over us. May the open Bible hallow its world-wide influence and establish our Dominions in righteousness. We plead for continued guidance and blessing for our beloved Church, for its missionary work and that of our Women's Missionary Society. May many offer for consecrated service and Thy silver and gold overflow in the treasury. O Thou Shepherd of Israel, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, richly endow, we entreat Thee, those who minister in holy things that they feed the flock as those who must give account with joy and not with grief. In our homes may the Bible and Shorter Catechism be studied from cover to cover, that our children be built up in the most holy faith. We entreat Thee, the Great Physician, to grant Thine abiding Presence, Thy wisdom and skill, to those who minister for Thee beside beds of sickness and pain, and keep, preserve and comfort all in sorrow. O God Omnipotent, maintain peace among the nations. Endue Thy redeemed ones with a double portion of Thy Spirit, that Thy world may be speedily won for Christ and the ''Prince of Peace'' take to Himself His great power and reign. Hear us our Father in Heaven, and grant us Thy pardon and blessing for the sake of Jesus, Thy well beloved Son. Amen.

Organization Department

Report Forms

The attention of all officers concerned is called to the following:

1. Forms are being sent this month to all Presbyterial Secretaries for distribution to the branches.
2. Will all Auxiliary Secretaries and Treasurers compare their figures, so that the figures may agree.
3. Please follow correct alphabetical order in listing branches. Consult Annual Report for this.
4. Put in columns only information asked for in the headings.
5. Use only new forms marked ''1930''. There have been changes in the headings of the Y. W. and Girls' Organization forms. Please do not use any old forms as, by doing so, much unnecessary work has to be done by the office staff.
6. There is no change in the order of returning the Presbyterial and other forms when filled in. The Provincial Officers receive them as heretofore and send their reports to the Council Secretary by March 1st. Please notify Mrs. L. Ballantyne, Room 700, 372 Bay St., Toronto 2, if the packages of forms are received in bad condition, torn, etc., and they will be replaced. Additional forms may be had on application to Mrs. Ballantyne or from your Provincial Literature Secretary. For addresses see W.M.S. Publications, page 319.

—*Miss B. MacMurchy.*

OUR LETTER BOX

—*Regina, Sask.*

"TWO months have flown since I reached Regina. In connection with the Northside Church, I have been visiting the congregation and hunting up the sick and the aged. In Eastview section of the city we have a Sunday School of more than eighty pupils. I am the superintendent. I have visited in sixty homes in connection with Northside Church and Eastview Sunday School.

Every week I visit each hospital. I have made 48 calls. During May there was a lot of Welcome and Welfare work to do. I have written thirty-seven letters to those placed in other parts of Saskatchewan, and attended a number of meetings. I am going to begin a religious survey of another section of the city, with a view to starting a Sunday School. A great many people in the South East have said that it was too far for their children to go to First Church S.S., but if there was one nearer they would attend.''

—(*Miss*) *Helen M. Ross.*

Visiting the Koreans in Japan

Kobe, Japan.

"ANOTHER kindergarten has been started in Kobe. There are about 30 children coming regularly, and we have a very good teacher. I go down every Monday morning to see how it is getting on and this morning was very much pleased. Mrs. Kang is a splendid disciplinarian and will make progress in the work. These children are not so poorly dressed and are cleaner than those who come to Pyungo kindergarten. Some of them never saw chairs before, and the day of the opening when told to sit down, two or three sat on the floor.

In May, Miss MacDonald and I went to Nagoya and Toyohashi to visit the Korean groups there. It was a long looked-forward-to visit and fulfilled our expectations. We left Kobe on Saturday afternoon and six hours later arrived at Nagoya. It being our first visit there, about eight Koreans came to meet us, and piloted us to Pastor Ye's home, where we spent Saturday night. We slept oriental style, with a thick comforter under us and one over us. Regardless of the fact that our pillows were rather hard, we slept well.

Nagoya is the third largest city in Japan and there are many Koreans living there. Pastor Ye has charge of the Christian groups. He holds a prayer meeting once a week with each group, and on Sunday mornings all worship together. Sunday School was at 9 a.m. and was in charge of three high school girls and they were certainly fine. At 10 o'clock the adult Bible classes had their hour. I spoke to the women, and the day being Mother's Day, was able to speak on a subject specially concerning mothers. This was the first really long talk I have given in Korean, so you may know I was anxious about it, but God heard my prayers and gave me strength for the task.

The church was crowded for the eleven o'clock service, eighty or more people being present. Mr. Ye is a splendid preacher and evangelist and gave a fine message from the Word.

In the afternoon we went to Toyohashi, which is about an hour and a quarter's journey by train from Nagoya. Here we worshipped with the Koreans in the evening and as we looked on the fifty or more young girls, who spend long days in silk factories, earn little money, and have very few of the pleasures of life, we realized once again the need of having Jesus in their lives, and the Hope that comes with belief and trust in Him.

We returned on Monday feeling tired but having received great blessing. We pray that our visit may have brought blessing and encouragement to those we met. I am looking forward to being able to talk more the next time I go to Nagoya, there was so much I wanted to say and could not." —*(Miss) Jean C. MacLean.*

Every Department of Work Encouraging

Vancouver, B.C.

"THE work at Livingstone is encouraging, especially among the children and young people. In our girls' group, and boy's Order of Burning Bush I have taken up a course of studies on church membership, what it means to be a Christian and unite with the church. It is wonderful that in a district where there is so much indifference among the older people the children have a keen understanding of spiritual truths. In the street and fields they play at Mission Band and Sunday School and you hear them singing the hymns and choruses they have learned. In time they may desire to unite with our Church.

Sunday School attendance has come up to thirty-eight and just now we are well equipped with teachers and officers. Two of the older boys have each taken a class of smaller boys and are very faithful. You learn to do by doing and they themselves will be taught as they teach. Our library is a great source of enjoyment. We have a good selection of books, thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Ledingham who have given us most of them.

We are starting a cradle roll department. There are quite a number of babies in the district, and our girls are to have charge of it. We are making the cradle roll, one big white heart made of heavy paper with the words 'Cradle Roll' printed at top. There are two big rosettes of pink and blue ribbon at either side, a baby's picture in the centre; twelve small white hearts for the months and pink and blue smaller ones for the babies, all caught to the bigger one with ribbons. When it is completed we will hang it up in our Church.

On May 22nd we had an interesting open meeting. The girls conducted it and took part in choruses and scripture recitations. Miss Moodie gave a devotional talk. Lantern slides were shown of our camp at Keat's Island, and Miss McGlashan told them a little of camp life there. Rev. T. Wilson took us on a hurried trip from Vancouver to Toronto. Funny pictures for the little ones and a few words from both Mr. and Mrs. Ledingham closed an enjoyable evening.

We are continuing our meetings throughout the summer. Most of the children stay at home, so Mission Band boys' and girls' groups will be held each week, sometimes out of doors and with a picnic now and again.

I have been helping the women of Main Street Mission and on May 6th we organized an Associate Society. They are only a small group with many problems of their own to face, but they desire to have a share in the mission work of our Church. As one thinks of these small groups in Vancouver, one realizes what great possibilities there are for our Church, great difficulties too, but a challenge to us to expect great things from God, and to attempt great things for God."

—*(Miss) Margaret Grigor.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggestions for Bible Readings on the Acts of the Apostles

THEME.—Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you, and ye shall be witnesses unto me. 1:8.

3. Power Operating Through Witnesses in Jerusalem—Acts 3-7.

Read Acts 3:1-8; 4:5-13; 6:8-15.

IN chapters 1 and 2 we have the story of a blessing promised and bestowed. The disciples were filled with the Holy Ghost. ''The infilling of the Spirit compels the outflowing in testimony,'' and the following chapters give the story of their testimony in Jerusalem by Peter and John (Chapters 3-5) and Stephen (Chapters 6 and 7).

In recalling the story certain pictures pass before the mind's eye. A cripple, begging at the temple gate receives not what he asked, but a greater gift—life. An amazed people ,and an incensed Sanhedrim call for an explanation of how this wonder was performed. In each case Peter answers by bearing witness to the power of the name of Jesus—power not only to heal but to save (4:8-12).

''Satan's activity is often increased when disciples bestir themselves anew. The fires of persecution began to kindle as soon as the fires of the Spirit began to burn'' and Peter and John find themselves in prison, but ''the angel of the Lord who encampeth round about them that fear him,'' by night opens the prison door and again we see them before the rulers and saying: ''The God of our Fathers raised up Jesus whom ye slew. . . . to be a Prince and a Saviour. We are his witnesses.'' And daily they ceased not to preach and teach Jesus Christ.''

The scenes change. Certain temporal affairs must now be looked after, therefore we have some church organization. Besides the twelve especially set apart for spiritual things, what might be called the first Board of Managers is chosen—7 men, of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom. One of these is Stephen, who full of faith and power does great wonders and miracles among the people, and pays with his life for his defence of the gospel.

The transforming power of the Holy Spirit was evident in the lives of these men. Peter, once the coward, becomes Peter the bold. Unlearned and ignorant men do mighty works, preach convincing sermons, and endure suffering in such a way that their enemies took knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus. They were witnesses to the power of the Holy Spirit whom God hath given to them that obey Him. (5:32).

GIRLS AND LEADERS

TREASURE BOOKS AND TREASURE HUNTS

THE Melita 1928-29 prize Treasure Book is no longer alone in its glory, since four worthy companions have been added as a result of this last year's competition. This division of the prize was deemed advisable by the judges, Mrs. White, of Vancouver, and Miss Cameron, of Montreal, appointed at the May meeting of the W.M.S. Council Executive held in Toronto. They felt that the 1929-30 Treasure Books naturally belonged to different classes, so they awarded first place to the ''Blue Banner Class'' of Saskatoon School Home; second to the ''Wah-Wah-Taysee'' Group, Dufferin Church, Toronto; third to ''Pals'' Group, Todmorden Church, Toronto; and fourth to ''Christo ferens'' Group, of the same Church.

The dignified black cover of the ''Blue Banner'' Treasure Book opened to reveal the individual pictures of the Treasure Hunters. Then followed the series of programmes arranged by the girls, including articles prepared and in many instances illustrated by pen and ink sketches. Perhaps the climax was the friendship chain which bound Canada with Formosa, each link inscribed with the name of a missionary, from the earliest pioneer to the most recent recruit.

The Dufferin ''Wah-Wah-Taysee'' Group adorned the brown cover of its Treasure Book with a gold and black compass. The magnetic needle pointed to scenes of great interest encountered en route to the mission fields. Then in hospital, school and church the richness of service was discovered and the value of Christian influence.

The ''Pals'' Group, of Todmorden, displayed against the red cover of its Treasure Book, a picture in water colors of a Japanese Girl in Training. There were numerous other artistic touches interpreting the programmes, each of which made evident the knowledge of the mission work in ''Lands of Promise.''

A ship formed the design of the ''Christo ferens'' Group's Treasure Book; but it was no ordinary ship for the riggings were composed of scripture lines and the pennons fluttered messages of good cheer. At the port holes were seen the faces of the W.M.S. missionaries to Formosa Japan, while in their midst was the Great Captain whose command they followed ''Go ye into all the world. . . ..''

For their prize the ''Blue Banner'' Class chose a picture for their common room. The others asked for books with which to commence Sunday School libraries.

Sail, sail, whither sail for another year's Treasure Hunt? ''Over the

Seas to China'' is the answer in the new study book prepared by Mrs. Lereine Ballantyne and containing a wealth of interest and information. Order the book early and make the acquaintance of your most honorable sisters in China. They need your friendship for theirs is a land of warfare.

Then, remember the *Glad Tidings* has a page for you, and in addition, many bits of interest connected with the lands already visited as well as the new fields to which you turn.

Another source of help for programme building is ''The Challenge.'' How many of you subscribe to this magazine so valuable to the young people of the Presbyterian Church in Canada? No Group need be without it if each member contributes two or three cents.

And now ''All aboard for another land, another Treasure Hunt,'' another year! —*M. J. G.*

MISSION BANDS

A MESSAGE FROM MISS ROBSON

PERHAPS you know that I have had to superintend the building of the Children's Home myself and I declare right here that that is no woman's job. But when there is no man available we just have to do the next best and in this case I am doing it. It has been a pleasure too in some ways because it is the fulfilling of one of my dreams and the work has gone well. The workers have helped at every turn and have been faithful in their work, otherwise we could never have got it done. The roof is now on the two small rooms and bathrooms, but we now have to get the verandah finished before the other rooms can be roofed and that is slower work because of the arches.

It seems to me we have had nothing but sad stories to tell of our children since I came back. We had two little babies given to us last year and they both died, and at present we are just recovering from an epidemic of ''flu'' that has taken off three of our Christian children, and now word has come of another little baby whose mother died and the baby too before they could get her to us.

Thank you for the good news about the furnishing of the Children's Home. It is such a nice idea to have the children do it. We are doing a little bit too this month, this is the month when the big seed pods on the ''silk-cotton'' tree ripen. Inside they have the loveliest fluffy down, something like the milk-weed, but with more substance to it. The women and children gather it and bring it to sell and we are making it up into mattresses for the little beds for the new Home. We haven't the beds yet of course, but we know what size they will be and this cotton has to be bought at the season when the pods open. When the wind blows it looks like a real snow-storm but with the thermometer around 110° and above, the idea of snow gives place to feathers, and that does not feel quite so comfortable.

A MISSION BAND HOLDS A SILVER ANNIVERSARY

TWENTY-FIVE years seems a long, long time to boys and girls. But, not so long ago, Mrs. Dill, your Secretary, went to the anniversary of a Mission Band in Campbellville which was started on July 8th, 1905, which is twenty-five years ago. The boys and girls named it the ''Grace'' Mission Band in memory of Miss Grace Menzies who loved little children, and the first roll had 47 names. Mrs. Menzies, the first President, is still a member, and, at the anniversary, there were young mothers present with little babies in their arms, who had been members when the Band was started.

Their meetings were just like yours. They had a study period first and sewed later. They always used the Mission Band study books, and had mite boxes and little aprons in their homes to remind them of the Mission Band. The Sunday School lesson formed their Scirpture study and a member either read or gave a talk on the lesson, and very often the members offered sentence prayers. In the winter months they met in the homes. Refreshments were served for which they paid 5c. Part of this went to pay for supplies for the bale. They used different methods of raising money as they did not have much of their own. They made autograph quilts, sold Scripture calendars, had concerts and a copper contest. They raised $10.13 in large coppers and $8.04 in small coppers. This taught them what a copper could do if saved for the right purpose.

In the last fifteen years the Band sent bales valued at $436.32 and raised $1,181.39. At present there are 25 names on the roll, and 3 Home Helpers. During the 25 years, 135 names have been enrolled, of these two are doing missionary work. They have 9 Life and 6 Junior members, and for the past two years have had the honor of being the banner Band in Guelph Presbyterial.

[We are indebted to Mrs. Menzies for the material for this story.—EDITOR.]

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Manitoba

Superior P.S.—''Cecilia Jeffrey'' and Kenora Aux.

Ontario

Chatham P.S.—Puce M.B.
Huron P.S.—Carmel Ch. Y.W.A., Hensall.
Peterborough P.S.—Havelock M.B.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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KAMLOOPS-OKANAGAN P.S.—Kamloops Auxiliary had as speaker at their midsummer meeting, Mrs. Alice Evans, of the China Inland Mission. Mrs. Evans has had nearly thirty-five years' experience in medical and evangelistic work in China and now intends to remain in Canada. The account of some of her experiences in Northern China made a wonderful story. Miss Yendal and Miss Frazer were also present. These young ladies are travelling through British Columbia with a van, under the auspices of the Sunday School Association, visiting the public schools in country places, inviting the co-operation of the parents in getting the children to memorize scripture and get a better knowledge of the Bible. This is a very important work as there are so few Sunday Schools in some parts of the province.

At the May meeting of the Canoe W.M.S., Mrs. McKechnie, Presbyterial President, gave an interesting address on her recent trip to the Holy Land. Mrs. Smith gave a helpful talk on missionary work. New members were added at this meeting.

Kootenay P.S.—A most encouraging letter has been received from Trail, telling of the bright outlook for the W.M.S. there after some years of effort to keep up interest in the work of missions. At first the work was carried on with the Ladies' Service Club of the Church. This year a regular Auxiliary has been formed, which gives more time for the missionary part of the programme. The meetings are always bright and interesting and well attended.

The reports from all parts of the province are very encouraging, showing signs of steady growth in all branches of the missionary work of the Church.

Westminster P.S.—The Y.W.A. of Robertson Church, Vancouver, held a successful lantern lecture on the Bhil tribes of India. The lecture was given by Mrs. Herd.

The annual missionary tea was held at the home of Mrs. H. M. Fraser and was largely attended.

The boys and girls of Fairview Church Mission Band were at home to their parents and friends on Saturday afternoon, June 7th in the Church Hall. A delightful programme given by the boys and girls was followed by a social hour. A table of work proved quite a centre of interest.

Mrs. Chas. Judd, of the China Inland Mission, addressed the May meeting of Mount Pleasant Auxiliary on China, and Mrs. D. A. Smith addressed their June meeting on ''The Conquest of Europe.''

Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, Provincial President, attended the General Assembly held in Hamilton, Ont., in June.

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BRANDON P.S.—The sixteenth annual meeting was held June 11th and 12th in First Church, Brandon. The evening meeting took the form of a Young People's rally and was largely attended. Excellent addresses were given by Mrs. Coulter and Miss Pelton. About 75 delegates were present. Mrs. J. A. McDonald presided and in her address stressed the opportunities and responsibilities open to each Auxiliary member. The Secretaries' reports showed marked increase in all departments, the exceeding of the allocation was particularly encouraging.

Three excellent addresses were delivered at the afternoon meeting. Mrs. Horne spoke on ''Our Auxiliary and How to Make it Effective''; Miss Pelton's theme was ''In the Name of our God we will set up our Banners''; and Mrs. Coulter spoke on the Mission Band Objective. Mrs. H. A. Robson, Winnipeg, brought greetings from the Provincial and briefly outlined the recent Council Executive meeting in Toronto. At the evening meeting Mrs. Horne spoke on ''Our Work''. The closing message was by Miss Pelton.

The Presbyterial, while very grateful to Miss Pelton for the wonderful work she has done, and regretting her departure, are looking forward with pleasure to the coming of Miss Lamont.

Neepawa W.M.S. invited the Y.W.A., and Home Helpers to their Thank-offering meeting. A social hour followed the programme. The next month a guest tea was held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Wilson, in aid of the expense fund. The receipts were gratifying.

Sectional meetings were held at Carberry, Neepawa, Lenore, Boissevain and Melita. These were outstanding in attendance and in the interest shown during the discussion periods. At each meeting Mrs. J. A. McDonald dealt with ''The organization of our W.M.S. and duties of officers and secretaries.'' Miss Pelton delivered excellent addresses on ''Missionary Work and its Challenge To-day'', and Mrs. J. A. Gray presented the report of the Council Executive. Informative papers on current motives for missionary support were also given at each meeting. Mrs. Thos. McMillan addressed the Boissevain meeting on our national and overseas work.

Selkirk W.M.S. took charge of the Sunday evening service in May. Mrs. Justice gave a splendid address on ''Mother and Missions''. The church being without a minister, the W.M.S. felt they must help carry on.

The annual birthday party of the ''Willing Workers'' M.B., Knox Church, Selkirk, was held in June. The regular meeting was conducted by the President, Harriet Epps, the theme being ''Jesus the Children's Friend'', after which recitations, and musical selections were contributed. There were 102 present.

Superior P.S.—The ''Margaret Hogarth'' M.B., First Church, West Fort William, presented the pageant ''Heralds of the King''. Fifty children took part. They also displayed their work—scrap books, wool balls, strings of beads, bead butterflies and a quilt.

Mrs. Robson, Provincial President, visited Fort William, on her return from the Council Executive meeting and gave an eloquent address to the members of Superior Presbyterial. There was a large number present to welcome their new President.

Winnipeg P.S.—Mrs. J. A. Kennedy, Presbyterial Press Secretary, has removed to Victoria, B.C., and her place has been taken by Mrs. A. M. Long.

A sectional meeting was held in Knox Church, Morden, July 5th. Over 40 representatives were present from Crystal City, Pilot Mound, Morden, Roland and Winnipeg. The Presbyterial President, Mrs. J. S. Flook, presided. The work of departments was outlined by the Secretaries, discussion followed. Miss Dorothy Jenkinson, missionary worker at East Selkirk, spoke. Mrs. H. A. Robson, Provincial President, gave a report of the enlarged Council Executive meeting held in Toronto. All felt that further sectional meetings should be held as the start at Morden has been so successful.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. H. A. Robson, the members of the Manitoba Provincial Board and the Winnipeg Presbyterial had the privilege of meeting at her home two of our missionaries, Mrs. William Gauld and her daughter, Miss Gretta, of Formosa, who have just arrived in Canada on furlough. Mrs. Gauld has spent thirty-eight years in evangelistic work and in teaching music, and Miss Gretta Gauld, R.N., has done splendid work in the Mackay Memorial Hospital and the leper clinics. It was a cause for rejoicing to hear of the progress made in the girls' school, kindergarten, and hospital.

ONTARIO

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ALGOMA P.S. annual meeting was held in Knox Church, Sudbury, May 28th and 29th. Reports were encouraging, speakers were Rev. W. M. Mackay, Superintendent of Missions, and Mrs. W. J. McCullough, Toronto. Rev. A. G. Rintoul installed the officers. A memorial service was held for the late Mrs. Robert Lang, for years beloved Honorary President of Algoma P.S.

Barrie P.S. annual meeting was held in Orillia, June 3rd and 4th. Reports showed advance in many lines.

Thornbury-Clarksburg Auxiliary visited Meaford Auxiliary in June, a report of the Provincial meeting being given by Miss MacMurchy, Clarksburg.

Welcome and Welfare Committee, Orillia, entertained 125 ladies at a reception for newcomers at the summer home at Couchiching Point of Mrs. J. H. Eaton. Mrs. McQueen, Edmonton, was an honored guest, and Miss Isabel Taylor, Deaconess Training School, was the speaker.

C.G.I.T. Groups in Collingwood Church held a mother and daughter banquet, with Miss Lois McCrae, girls' leader in the new Presbyterian camp ''Glenmohr'' as speaker.

Port McNichol Auxiliary have sustained the loss of a valued member, Mrs. J. H. Davidson, Home Helpers Secretary of Barrie P.S.

Bruce and Owen Sound P.S. annual meeting was held in Paisley, May 13th, with splendid reports submitted by all departments, and allocations exceeded. Miss Bessie MacMurchy, Toronto, gave an account of work on western mission fields.

A summer conference was held in Embro town hall, home of Knox Presbyterians, with a large attendance. Mrs. R. C. Campbell presided. The programme was Formosan, and the speaker, Mrs. W. A. J. Martin, Formosa Secretary on the Council. This was the home church of the late Rev. G. Leslie Mackay, of Formosa. A niece, Miss M. H. Mackay, R.N., gave a history of the family and their contribution to the religious life of the Formosans, and displayed interesting curios.

Chatham P.S.—Knox Church Mission Band, Leamington, held a meeting in May, when many members of other missionary groups took part in the programme. Honorary, Life and Junior memberships were presented.

Paris P.S.—The Executive express gratitude for the encouragement and helpful suggestions of Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary. Optimism and enthusiasm have been felt in every Church she visited.

St. Paul's, Ingersoll, has suffered a great loss in the passing of Miss Janet Logan, a loyal and generous supporter of W.M.S. work. She encouraged many faithful workers with Life Memberships.

Peterborough P.S.—At the annual meeting, the retiring President, Mrs. D. Ewart, Cobourg, and the retiring Treasurer, Mrs. W. N. MacDougall, Lakeport, were presented with flowers and other tokens of esteem by the Executive.

Toronto P.S.—Sectional meetings were held in June at Whitby, Mimico, St. Andrew's, Scarboro, Newmarket, Nashville, and Streetsville. Mrs. J. Inkster, Presbyterial President, addressed all the meetings. Other speakers included Dr. Margaret O'Hara, Mrs. M. Moore, Mrs. Vesey, Mrs. Hagan, Dr. Buchanan, Rev. D. Robertson, Rev. David Marshall and departmental Secretaries.

At the July meeting of Agincourt Auxiliary, held at the home of

Miss Jane Crawford, an interesting feature was the reading of the late Mrs. Wm. Crawford's report of the annual meeting of the W.M.S., Western Division, held in St. Andrew's Church, Toronto, in 1887.

The Home Helpers of St. Andrew's, Fergus, held their annual rally August 1st. Satisfactory reports were received from all districts. The programme was put on by Home Helper groups and Mission Bands. The speaker was Mrs. A. O. McDonald.

QUEBEC

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QUEBEC P.S.—The sixteenth annual meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, kirk hall, Quebec City, on June 10th. Delegates were present from Adderley, Melbourne, Sherbrooke, Windsor Mills, Kimberley, Lemesurier, Montreal, Valcartier, Milan, Lennoxville and Scotstown. The morning session was devoted to departmental reports. In the afternoon, Mrs. Owen Campbell brought a message of encouragement from the Provincial Board, a report of the meeting of the enlarged Council Executive held in Toronto, and gave some remarkable instances of answers to the prayers of the Society. Miss Lily Macarthur, our port worker at Quebec, who spent the winter months in Saskatchewan, in her address, showed how the Welcome and Welfare work, commenced at the port of Quebec, is linked right out to British Columbia from whence she had just returned.

The changes in officers are: President, Miss R. R. Scott; Corr. Secty., Mrs. W. A. Johnstone; Mission Bands, Miss A. Thom; Press, Mrs. Massey.

Montreal P.S.—An inspiring conference of Home Helpers was held by the Presbyterial on June 5th. It took the form of meeting for prayer. The programme was as follows: Our assurance in prayer, Matt. 18: 19, 20, repeated in unison. Prayer for the world, the Church, our Society; for our missionaries; for our children and the youth of the world that they may be protected against atheistic propaganda. These prayers were prepared by the leader and repeated in unison. Then followed a gracious promise read from Isaiah 59.: 19-21, and extempore sentence prayers by the members.

SASKATCHEWAN

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REGINA P.S.—Mrs. G. D. Ralston addressed the June meeting of First Church Auxiliary, Regina, giving a summary of the business under discussion at the enlarged Council Executive meeting held in Toronto, and also some outstanding impressions which she gathered from this meeting.

Miss Gauld and her daughter, Miss Gretta Gauld, stayed over in

Regina on their way from Formosa to Toronto. While in Regina the members of the Provincial and Presbyterial Executive, resident in the city, spent a very pleasant evening with them socially at the home of the Provincial President.

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S.—Mrs. W. MacKenzie McLeod, of Sydney, N.S., President of the Eastern Division of the W.M.S., addressed the June meeting of the St. Andrew's W.M.S., Saskatoon, on the work undertaken in the Eastern Division. Many were present to hear and enjoy Mrs. McLeod's message.

Parkview Church W.M.S. entertained the Home Helpers at the June meeting. Interesting papers were given on the work in China and Manchuria. In order that all the mothers present might thoroughly enjoy the meeting, the Home Helpers Secretary undertook to care for the babies in the choir room.

Sectional meetings were held in Prince Albert, North Battleford and Rosetown, June 17th, 20th, 24th, respectively. At these meetings encouraging reports were given of the work done during the past six months. All sessions were attended by Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, and Mrs. W. G. Brown, President of Prince Albert—Saskatoon Presbyterial. The members were pleased to learn that Miss Ethel Reid was to take up work again in South China.

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June 30, 1930

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Knox Church House Bible Class, Toronto, "Child at Prince Albert School Home"	75.00
Rent of House at Vegreville, Alta.	15.00
Refund from Government for freight charges	169.28
Government grant for Birtle Indian School	3,210.45
Interest	1,335.53
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
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British Columbia	250.00
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	$19,088.51

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McMurray Hospital	172.28
Canora Hospital	404.16
Vegreville Hospital	325.00
Chinese in Canada	737.19
Indian School, Birtle	461.63
Government Grant, Birtle	3,210.45
Indian School, "Cecilia Jeffrey"	253.33
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Huntingdon School Home	95.00
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Organization	249.96
Pensions	67.22
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Students	195.00
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Supplies	117.90
Miscellaneous	329.57
Council Expense	47.10
Administration	1,023.40
Deputation	72.37
	$28,472.80

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Receipts	19,088.51	
Disbursements		$28,472.80
Bank Balance		23,056.97
Pension Fund		7,906.21
Legacy Fund		8,771.78
Sustaining Fund		30,549.56
Bonds		11,500.00
Associated Treasurer in China		400.00
Shanghai and Hong Kong Banking Corporation		250.00
Education of Chinese Girl		3,241.08
Cash on hand		20.67
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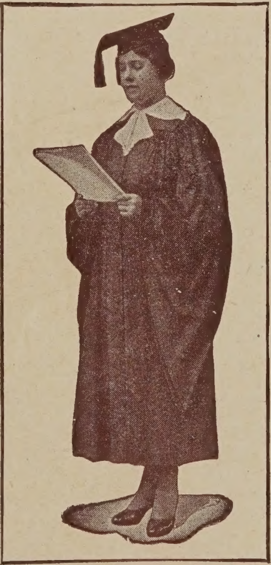

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Thanksgiving Prayer

We thank Thee, Lord—and not alone
  For gold of gladness, full success,
For wealth that we have called our own,
  The faith, the love, the happiness—
But for the sorrow and the smart,
  The failure and the striving vain;
The song we carolled in our heart
  When our poor lips were dumb with pain.

Not for accomplishment, complete,
  Not for the care-free, guarded way,
Not for the paths of peace our feet
  Have found, we thank Thee, Lord to-day,
But for the highway's dust and din,
  For perilous places safely passed;
For every brier of doubt and sin
  Which clutched, but dare not hold us fast.

For all Thy patience through the years,
  The years that come, the years that go;
Thy patience with our faults and fears—
  Dear Lord, we thank Thee—kneeling low.

—Jean Blewett.

Editorial

EVERY fall sees a fresh beginning in missionary activities. Holidays are past and, with renewed zest, the members face the work of another year. Committees are called, plans are formulated, and in no time the study course is mapped out, methods of stimulating giving are carefully considered, and material for supplies purchased. The spirit of enthusiasm is felt by all the members and, as a result, the Auxiliary is ''off to a good finish.''

We mention studies, finances and supplies because they are so familiar to us. But there is another Department of which we hear little, but one which holds tremendous possibility—The Press or Publicity Department. It is usually composed of one member whom we term the Press Secretary, whose sole duty, in many cases, is to send in a report of the monthly Auxiliary meeting to the local paper. As we see Press work, it is far greater than that, and it is daily growing in importance.

The *Student Volunteer Movement Bulletin* has evidently been thinking the same thing for under the heading ''Putting Missions on the Front Page,'' they outline a number of things a Press Secretary can do. True, all are not workable in the W.M.S. but a great many are. It says, for instance:—

''Co-operate with your local editor by telling him in a tactful way what you think of his news about events in China, Japan, India, Africa or South America.

Clip interesting news items in the magazine and give them to the editor to use in place of the destructive news he has been receiving.

If he runs religious news show your interest in it.

If the news becomes petty, local or one-sided on what should be a big movement, give him some real facts. Write them, also go to see him. A missionary visits your city or campus. Telephone the local editor, give the missionary's name, where he has been, what he has done, where he is going, what relatives he has in town, what church or group in town is interested in him. Any missionary who has done a pioneer piece of work is front-page news.

Special holidays in other countries interest the public, so also do missionaries from your city who live in a land where great political events are going on.

Every new missionary is 'copy' for at least one article.

Great news about world-wide missions is good news. Statistics are often usable.

Interest others in becoming reporters for you.

Furnish all material in typewritten form.

Treat all papers alike, don't play favorites.

Try to give your editor advance information of news.

Furnish pictures whenever possible.

Be brief. News means facts without comments.

Help your Press Secretary to promote missions by interesting at least one other person beside yourself in owning the magazine, reading, commenting on it, marking, clipping, and passing it on.''

LADY SIMON, while in Toronto with her husband, Sir John Simon, who was in attendance at the meeting of the Canadian Bar Association, was guest speaker at a large and representative luncheon under the auspices of the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire.

Lady Simon who is herself the author of a most interesting book on Slavery rather startled her audience when she declared that ''there are between four and six million human beings in the world who are the property of some person.'' Giving a few figures which have not been frequently impressed upon the mind of the public, Lady Simon quotes:

''Arabia, it has been estimated, has about 700,000 slaves, while China has 2,000,000.'' Lady Simon dwelt principally on these two countries, though she averred that slavery existed in many others. When she spoke of China, her voice broke and her eyes were deep with misery. ''It makes such echoes of sorrow in my heart that I can scarcely talk about it,'' she admitted. China's 2,000,000 slaves are chiefly children—chiefly little girls. China justifies the selling of these children into slavery on the grounds of poverty, but Lady Simon refuses to accept that as an excuse. She told of the cruelties meted out to these unfortunate little children—boiling water poured on their hands, boiling oil poured down their throats, bodies pinched with red-hot irons.

In the face of such facts—what is the duty of the Christian Church? Can we, whose souls are lighted with wisdom from on high—Can we to men benighted the lamp of life deny? Truly we are sent in our Master's stead, ''To preach the gospel to the poor; to preach deliverance to the captives, to set at liberty them that are bruised.''

One of the most effective parts of Lady Simon's address was when she read an extract from a Toronto paper dated 1829 in which mention was made of an anti-slavery society being organized in Toronto under the Presidency of the Rev. Dr. Willis, first principal of Knox College.

WE commend to the attention of our readers—both girls and Auxiliary members—the article by Dr. Caroline Macdonald, which appears on page 342 of this issue.

The girls in Canada who attended the summer camps, or student or leaders conferences will be interested to know that Dr. Macdonald attended the Women's Student Conference (Y.W.C.A.) in Japan, and gave a lecture each day on her work for girls. She had not attended a student conference for some years and was delighted at their growing sense of responsibility with reference to social problems. In the Autumn, Dr. Macdonald is going to get some of the Tokyo women students and some of her ''girls in industry'' together.

ORIGINAL ideas are always welcome, and Knox Church W.M.S., Agincourt, has provided one. Instead of going to the expense of having their Auxiliary programmes printed, the members got together and made their own, and a most effective piece of hand work is the result. It is the usual programme size, 5″ by 8″. The cover is made of wallpaper, a soft toned buff shade, with fleckings of gold. Purple ink is used throughout and a matching ribbon binds the sheets together with a dainty bow. The only writing on the cover is the name of the member to whom the programme belongs. The first page contains the name of the Auxiliary, the date, hour and place of meeting, and this message:—

To the Ladies of the Congregation:—

''Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me''—followed by the appeal ''Come! we need the inspiration of your presence and help.'' The monthly programmes and the names of those taking part follow, a page being devoted to each. The handwriting has an individual style and is very legible. Altogether, the idea is simple, original, attractive and quite worth copying.

THE 1929 Annual Report is printed and very nice it looks. It is larger than last year, which means that we have more societies and a greater volume of work to report. The allocation is as follows: 3 to each Auxiliary, Young Women's Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary; 1 to each Associate Society; 1 for the use of the different Girls' Organizations in each church; 1 for each Mission Band. Copies also go to the officers of the Council Executive, Provincial and Presbyterial Boards and to all our missionaries. While copies are sent for the use of the President, Treasurer and Secretary of the Auxiliary, the intention is that these are to be circulated among the members and that, at least one meeting be devoted to its study. The new Auxiliary book, ''Ambassadors of Good-Will'', refers frequently to the Annual Report which means it will be a popular reference book. Should there be any copies after the allocation is met, they may be obtained at our Publications Office at 25c. each.

THE Birtle Indian Residential School is closed and will remain closed until the new building is ready for occupation. As our women know, the furnace, plumbing and building have been in a very bad condition. The Department of Indian Affairs have refused to allow the old school to be used on account of danger to the health of the pupils. The walls of the new school are up and it is hoped it may be opened next year. Although loath to close the school the Council Executive had not other choice but to comply with the demand of the Department. Regarding the disposition of the staff: The care of the stock and farm must, of course, continue. The other members of the staff are now occupied in a house to house visitation of the chiefs and reserves for a large radius and evangelistic work will be carried on among the Indians and their families.

The Department of Indian Affairs is making us a grant, in lieu of the per capita grant, while the children are at home.

The usual Christmas treat for the parents and children will be held at the school. The staff will continue to reside in some of the rooms that can be comfortably heated for their use.

''Ask God to give thee skill
For comfort's art. . . .
For comforters are needed much
Of Christ-like touch.''

THIS petition is one which all might offer for those members who have been charged by our Council Executive to write letters of consolation to those who are sick or in sorrow. For years, Miss Inglis has performed this service, and those of us who have received her tender messages of sympathy have felt that she indeed possessed the art of comfort. Owing to prolonged illness, Miss Inglis has been unable to continue this service, and our members will feel that we were wisely guided when we placed Miss Inglis' mantle on the shoulders of Miss Jessie Parsons, who is equally blessed with the gift of sympathetic understanding, and asked her to assume the duties of this office.

OUR Field Secretaries, Miss Laura K. Pelton and Miss P. B. Lamont are exchanging their fields of labor. Beginning in September, Miss Pelton will work in Quebec until Christmas and from then on in Ontario. Miss Lamont starts in Superior Presbyterial and from there will follow the itinerary arranged for her by the Provincial women of the four western provinces. One could devote a whole magazine to the tributes which have been paid to these two splendid women, as this cannot be done, shall we not all continue to pray God's blessing on them and their work?

WE are glad to be able to announce that Miss Jean MacGregor of New Glasgow, N.S., has been appointed Girls' Work Secretary. Miss MacGregor is a graduate of Dalhousie University and of the Presbyterian Missionary and Deaconess Training Home. We wish that we could say that this is a permanent appointment, but are only authorized to state that Miss MacGregor is coming for six or eight months and will take up her duties on October 6th. Knowing our young people, we do not need to assure Miss MacGregor of the hearty welcome that is awaiting her.

MISS HAZEL MACDONALD, of Goderich, has been appointed a deaconess to the Peace River District with headquarters at Pouce Coupe. She comes to her work well qualified, well recommended and is well suited to pioneer work.

MRS. GOFORTH'S many friends will be delighted to learn, that the operation for cataract which she had to undergo has been successful and she is rejoicing in restored sight.

THE committee room of the W.M.S. office has been enriched by a handsome sectional bookcase containing a complete set of W.M.S. reports from 1877 to 1919; the ''Monthly Leaflets'' which later became the ''Foreign Mission Tidings'' from 1886 to 1914; and the ''Missionary Messenger'' from 1914 to 1924, bound in leather with lettering of gold. This valuable contribution is the gift of Mrs. H. R. Horne and Mrs. John Stenhouse, and is in memory of their mother, the late Mrs. Shortreed, President, for many years, of the Women's Missionary Society.

Outgoing Missionaries Under the W.M.S.

TO Japan—Miss Ellen Anderson, Acton, Ont., evangelist, and Miss Gladys Murphy, Eastville, N.S. (appointee of the W.M.S. Eastern Division), both to work among Koreans in Japan, sailed *Empress of Japan,* September 4th.

To India—Gwalior Field—Miss Catherine Moodie, New Westmintser, B.C., teacher, and Miss Gladys Timney, Toronto, evangelist. To Bhil Field—Miss Ellen Douglas, New Westminster, B.C., teacher, and Miss Mildred Soutar, R.N., Hamilton, nurse, sailing from Montreal, *Duchess of York,* October 10th.

To South China—Miss Ethel C. Reid, Toronto, evangelistic worker, sailing from Vancouver, *Empress of Japan,* October 30th.

W.M.S. Missionaries on Furlough

From Formosa—Mrs. William Gauld and Miss Gretta Gauld, R.N.

Missionaries Under the Church—new appointees

To India—Gwalior Field—Mr. and Mrs. James R. Cameron, sailing by *California* from Liverpool, October 22nd.

To Manchuria—Rev. W. G. Davis, sailing from Vancouver, *Empress of Canada,* October 2nd.

Missionaries Under the Church Returning to Their Fields

To British Guiana—Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Cropper, and Miss Elise Barlow (appointee of the W.M.S., Eastern Division), July 25th.

To India—Bhil Field—Dr. and Mrs. John Buchanan, *City of Venice,* American Indian Line, New York, October 10th.

Missionaries Home on Furlough

From Manchuria—Dr. and Mrs. Jonathan Goforth.

From Formosa—Rev. G. W. and Mrs. Mackay and family; Mrs. H. G. MacMillan; Dr. and Mrs. R. B. MacClure (Dr. MacClure is at present in Edinburgh taking a special course, and Mrs. MacClure is in Whitby, Ont.)

Mrs. Gauld, the Sweet Singer of Formosa

OVER three quarters of a century is the aggregate of the service which the late Rev. William Gauld, D.D., his wife and two daughters have given to our missionary work in Formosa. This is a magnificent record for one family for it includes work in the professions of education, music, nursing and medicine.

Thirty-eight years ago, or in 1892, Dr. and Mrs. Gauld were appointed to missionary work in Formosa under the Presbyterian Church in Canada. On the death, in 1924, of Dr. Gauld, the honored principal of the Theological College in Taihoku, Mrs. Gauld continued to devote herself to the musical education of the Formosan people which she had begun in 1901. That year also saw the return of their two daughters to join the staff of the "Mackay Memorial Hospital", Miss Gretta, R.N., as a nurse, and Dr. Flora (now Mrs. Dr. Little) as a medical woman.

Soren Church Farewell to Mrs. Gauld
Mrs. Gauld and Miss Gretta are seated in centre of front row

Missionaries are proverbially modest when it comes to speaking of their accomplishments, and Mrs. Gauld is no exception. In her eyes, the thing which she has accomplished is "nothing". But your Editor, who was quietly questioning, found herself fascinated with the unconscious creation of a picture that, to her, was far from "nothing".

Born in Kippen, Ontario, Mrs. Gauld started her musical career when eleven years old ''in the choir at home'' and everywhere she went she placed this talent at the service of her church.

In 1892, she went to the then foreign field of Formosa, as the wife of a missionary, and in 1901, although she had a young family to care for, she began teaching the Formosans music. When she left Formosa in 1930, she had charge of the singing in the Theological College, Girls' School, Boys' School, Women's School and taught piano and organ in the Boys' School, and Theological College, besides doing Sunday School work in the two Sunday Schools—Daitotei and Soren.

The music course goes up to the fifth grade, and many of the pupils can play selections from the great composers. A number of the teachers can now take up their books and sing from staff notation, and shortly before her return to Canada, Mrs. Gauld's choir of one hundred voices—boys and girls, graduates of the fourth and fifth year, college graduates and missionaries, gave part of the ''Creation.''

Mrs. Gauld disclaims the honor of being the first to teach music in Formosa, for they had singing before she began her classes, but they were not very expert in the art. An interesting fact is that, instead of using the tonic sol fa, in the public schools they use the figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, with a little dash top and bottom to indicate high and low notes. Music has made wonderful strides in Formosa and Mr. Tan who copies the anthems by hand and does beautiful work, often takes his glee club, composed of pupils from the middle school, through the Island and Mrs. Gauld's Daitotei choir and Mr. Tan's Glee Club, of fourth and fifth year boys and Theological students, frequently broadcast a programme for the student body. All the missionaries broadcast one night a week, and just recently Miss Gauld spoke on ''The Future of Nursing in Formosa'' and Mrs. Gauld talked on ''The Home and the Beginning of Mission Work in Formosa.'' It was Mr. Tan who copied by hand the music for the Hymn, ''Come Let us Sing of a Wonderful Love,'' which Dr. Gauld, shortly before his death, had translated into Formosan for the closing of the Girls' School. This hymn has won its way into the hearts of the people and as Mrs. Gauld sailed away from Keelung, far out as she could hear came the refrain of this hymn, sung by her beloved Formosan friends.

On leaving the Island, among the many organizations which vied with each other in doing honor to ''The best beloved woman in Formosa'' as Mrs. Gauld has been termed, with farewells or gifts or addresses were the Y.W.C.A., Daitotei Church, the whole Formosa Church, Soren Church, Educational Department of the Government and Ladies' Associations for Self Culture. A special letter of good wishes from the Government General of Formosa was also a treasured memento.

Mrs. Gauld appreciated all this because the work she did was for the Formosans and was recognized by the Japanese. —M.C.G.F.

An Appreciation of Mrs. Gauld

AN ADDRESS BY MR. HOSHIAI AT A FAREWELL GIVEN IN HER HONOR

"I ESTEEM it a great honor to attend this meeting and to express my opinion in the presence of many ladies and gentlemen. Several days ago a member of the committee of the Ladies' Association for Self-Culture told me that the meeting of international friendship would be held this evening, and at the same time it would be the farewell meeting for Mrs. Gauld. I wanted to be present at the meeting and I have looked forward to the meeting of this evening with pleasure.

It is our purpose to promote international friendship. To bring peace among nations is really a noble deed. It must be everybody's duty to join such a noble meeting. We differ in our social positions, but from the religious point of view, we are brothers and sisters. By such an idea you will perhaps feel some interest when you hear me, and I hope I shall be able to make myself understood.

A certain poor widow, as you know, threw in two mites into the treasury, and she was appreciated by the Lord. Even five loaves of bread would sometimes be able to feed five thousand men, if the Lord permitted it. Our movement will become a foundation stone on which the magnificent palace of peace is built. Some one says, "I am helpless. Though I want to make peace among nations, my slight works will be of no use." But this is a mistake.

Everyone who loves peace will sing with the children of Sunday-schools.

"Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean
And the pleasant land.

Little deeds of kindness,
Little words of love,
Make this earth an Eden
Like the heaven above."

Though we walk on the earth, we want to turn our eyes up to the heaven.

Formerly in our country, women were not so respected as men. But now in our country most of the educated people respect women, for men and women must be placed on an equal footing. The people of the civilized countries protect the weak. The country which persecutes the weak will not prosper. When the weak are gathered together, they will become strong. Water is the weakest of all in the world, but big waves which crush huge rocks are water. Indeed, to-day men lead the greater parts of the world, but to-morrow or perhaps in the near future women will lead the world. It is the ladies' duty to make peace among us, and it is the ladies' strong point.

The goodwill message from the children in this city will be read in many countries of the world, and peace and friendship will be brought among the countries of the world. I explain my heartfelt thanks for Mrs. Hibino who took much pains to let the children send the message of good will.

What did the countries of the world gain by war? The Bible says, ''All they that take the sword shall perish with the sword.'' Every nation is suffering from competition in armaments. The Disarmament Conference was held in London in order to solve the question about it. I think we must propagate peace among the people whom we associate with.

Now, this evening is also the farewell meeting for Mrs. Gauld. Mrs. Gauld came to Formosa thirty-eight years ago and she has lived here since then. She has devoted the prime of life to the religious education for the native Formosans and for the churches of Formosa. Her life seems to be the continuation of ''The Acts of the New Testament,'' you see.

I came to this city six years ago, when my eldest daughter was the first year student of the Girls' High School. At that time about fifteen ladies who lived in this city were gathered together upstairs of the Sankyo Joint-stock Company and they had English class. Miss Kuznoka and my daughter were the youngest of all. And they were admitted to enter the class and were given the introductory course of English. Before they were taught English, they would sing ''Sweet and Low'' by Lord Tennyson, and then a conversational lesson was given. The teacher of English was Miss Gauld, the daughter of Mrs. Gauld. My daughter must have been one of her pet pupils. Though she was taught for a short time, Miss Gauld's beautiful pronunciation influenced her and she was very fond of English. Now she is in Tokyo and attends the Ladies' College at Mejiro.

A Japanese Proverb says, ''A chance acquaintance such as resting under the shade of a tree or drawing water from a stream is a divine ordinance for us.'' So the relation between teacher and student must perhaps have been given by the Lord. Miss Gauld's method of teaching and her kindness to pupils gave me a deep impression. So I came here to thank Miss Gauld and Mrs. Gauld this evening.

Though Mrs. Gauld leaves here, she will never forget Formosa. Surely she will pray for the Japanese, especially for the Formosans. May the Lord bless her and her family.

The works of Mrs. Gauld and those of Mrs. Hibino are the reflections of their Christian spirit. We must learn them and awaken our spirit of peace among them.

''Do to others as you would have others do to you.'' This is the Golden Rule of Life, which we must bear in mind. Peace will arise out of these feelings. When our hearts glow with the spirit of peace, happiness will come to us of itself. I think foreign ladies and gentlemen who have come to Formosa from far far countries, burn with love for peace. I notice they do their best to enlighten our nation in their respective positions, cherishing the spirit of self-sacrifice. We must pay our utmost respect to them and the grace of God be abundant for them ever and ever!

This evening I thank you very much to have been admitted to be present at this noble meeting and to speak my own impression freely. Thank you!"

The new W.M.S. Mission Building at Gonor, Man.

All People's W.M.S. Mission, Gonor

Dedication Services, Wednesday, September 3rd, 1930

11.30 a.m.—Church opening—Mrs. Francis, Indian Head, Sask. Sub.: Mrs. Robson, Provincial President.
Dedication of Building by the Presbytery of Winnipeg—Rev. O. Hughes, Presiding. Rev. Mr. Lochart, Preacher.
Presentation of Deed of Lot by Miss Annie Innes.
Statement of Finances by Mrs. Mackenzie.
Mrs. J. Hutchinson, Soloist.

1 p.m. to 3 p.m.—Basket Picnic and Sports.

3 p.m.—Ukrainian Service—Rev. Mr. Cundy, Roland; Rev. Mr. Kervetsky, Winnipeg.

Evening at 7 p.m.—Rev. Mr. MacIntosh, Selkirk; Rev. Mr. Jones, Selkirk, Interpreter, Rev. Mr. Krevetsky—Music in charge of the Selkirk Choir—Collections for furnishing, etc., at all services.

Sabbath, September 7th, at 11 a.m.—Rev. Mr. Niven, Preacher.
Baptismal Service.

7 p.m.—Speakers: Messrs. Still and Long.
Interpreted Service.
English and Ukrainian Hymns.

[We had hoped to have had a fuller account of this important event from the pen of Mrs. Mary Mackenzie, our missionary at Gonor. As it has not arrived in time for this magazine, we decided to insert the programme which came to us, and let our readers weave into it all the joy and gratitude that must have filled the hearts of the people and their beloved leader and friend, Mrs. Mackenzie and her sister, Miss Innes, when they gathered for the dedication of the Mission Building which the W.M.S. has erected for them.—Editor.]

A group of Sunday School Scholars at Gonor, Man.

Doctors Pay Tribute to Missionaries

FROM the Anglo-Saxon nations of the world have gone forth almost all the Christian men and women who are laboring to-day as medical missionaries in foreign fields. This fact was brought to the attention of those who gathered for breakfast in the Picardy salon, Winnipeg, during the meeting of the British Medical Association, to pay tribute with the medical men of the empire to those of their profession who have chosen the mission field. Dr. H. P. Parkard, F.A.C.S., was the speaker.

For twenty-four years Dr. Parkard has labored in Persia. If the story of his life were to be told, it would reveal many trials and difficulties, and many triumphs. For instance, Dr. Parkard was instrumental during the war in preventing the massacre of 3,000 people. He administered for relief purposes a fund of $2,000,000. He has performed 3,900 operations with his own hands. But he has also known what it is to lose everything he owned: to have his hospital and his home looted, and to see the pages of his precious books used as tea wrappers at the bazaar by the looters.

For all that, the life of the medical missionary is a life that anyone might envy, said this servant of humanity. He spoke as simply as only those who feel sincerely can, of the happiness of knowing that ''having lost everything the world calls worth while, you have not lost one real treasure.''

Not only was the medical missionary doing a service to the people among whom he labored, but to all humanity, said Dr. Parkard, for almost all the great epidemics of the world could be traced to cesspools of humanity in the crowded sections of the Orient. The medical missionary had stemmed the tide of many such epidemics at the source.

Of the 1,200 medical missionaries in foreign fields to-day, more than one-half were from the United States and the greater portion of the remainder from the countries of the British Empire, Dr. Parkard said. Under their charge might be found 858 hospitals, 1,686 dispensaries, and 4,788,258 patients.

''Everyone is willing to stake his life for something,'' Dr. Parkard concluded. ''Some stake it for wealth, and some for position. Others there are who are willing to stake their lives to prove to their fellow men that the love of God is the greatest influence which has come to the human race, and I am proud to be among their number.''

One of the proudest features in connection with the Medical College of Winnipeg, said Dr. Harvey Smith, was the number of men and women who had gone from its gates to the foreign mission fields. He voiced the deep admiration of the entire medical profession to that branch of the service which numbered among its members such a lover and servant of humanity as Sir Wilfred Grenfell of Labrador.

Archbishop S. P. Matheson, primate of all Canada, in moving the vote of thanks to the speaker, declared that this was the second time since the opening of the British Medical Association convention that the kinship and alliance between the medical art and Christianity had been forcibly brought home to him. He drew attention to the fact that the function at which his audience were present was sponsored by the Medical Prayer union. ''In a prayer union of medical men we have a tremendous addition to the forces of Christianity.'' The motion for the vote of thanks was seconded by Professor A. H. Burgess, past president of the British Medical Association.

The breakfast, while arranged by the Medical Prayer union, had been made possible by the doctors of Winnipeg whose fathers, grandfathers or other close relatives had been clergymen, and who welcomed the opportunity to pay this tribute to those who are spreading Christianity in foreign lands, in alliance with medical services.—*Selected.*

Primary Department of Chinese Daily Vacation Bible School, Toronto, 1930. The two teachers are, Miss Lillian Leung (left) and Miss Lily Yeung, (right), the two Chinese students in the Missionary and Deaconess Training Home. Lillian Leung is taking training in medicine and Lily Yeung in Kindergarten, with a view to returning to China.

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A Thanksgiving Meditation

I WONDER—if Christ were here to-day
In person, as we are, face to face,
Could I place in His hand this offering,
And say, "It was all I had to bring,
To spread Thy work of redeeming grace?"
I wonder—if Christ were standing here,
Watching our gifts of thankfulness,
Could I make this offering honestly,
With His loving eyes fixed full on me,
And feel it was something He could bless?
I wonder! For Christ *is* here to-day,
And no heart-motive is hid from Him.
Can it be that He finds me hesitate
To sacrifice for a cause so great
It was worth a cross to Him?

—Catherine Culnan, in Women and Missions.

Echoes

"WE use sunshine bags for our extra offerings, putting a penny in the bag for each sunshiny day. This goes for summer offerings. Then a penny goes in for each cloudy day: this goes for thank-offering, because we know that back of the cloud is the silver lining and a God who cares. Thus we are thankful. The sunshine bags we made of yellow material; the cloudy day bags are of gray or blue.''

''The one social feature of our church each fall is a beautiful luncheon in honor of the new members.

''We have meetings all summer long, and for these meetings we use our girls that are home from college, or are free from high school duties. They know that they are to have charge of these meetings, and for some time now we have had the best meetings during the summer.''

''It's a very unwise President who does not give her Secretary for Literature three minutes at each meeting to present her wares.''

''The reason I don't go to missionary meetings is because when you go to one you've been to them all.''

''Why, if some one got up and read something—our women would all leave. They will not be read to.''

What Does an Itinerating Deaconess Do?

The Story of Mrs. J. F. MacLean's Work in British Columbia answers this question.

DURING the year 1929, the following places were visited with a view to assist and promote in every way possible, the work and growth of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Starting in the Okanagan the following twenty-seven localities were visited: Penticton, Summerland, Grand Forks, Creston, Trail, Nelson, Slocan City, New Denver, Silverton, Kaslo, Vernon, Armstrong, Canoe, Salmon Arm, Kamloops, Victoria, Sooke, Duncan, Nanaimo, Port Alberni, Port Renfrew, Prince Rupert, Prince George, Tranquille, Cranbrook, Kimberley. With the exception of Summerland, Kaslo, Vernon and Prince George, all the places had regular Presbyterian service, though in some cases, only one service in two weeks, and in those places visited where there was no service, there were Presbyterian families, linked up with the nearest Presbyterian Church, though the distance was great—in one instance forty-five miles.

Being authorized by our Synod of British Columbia to hold the Sabbath Day service, if other supply were unavailable, I held service on that day in Nelson, Trail, Port Alberni and Kimberley. In each case I carefully explained, I was simply doing this as a Christian worker to prevent lapse of service. Dr. Douglas, our Synodical Missionary for British Columbia, reported these services as acceptable in the places in which they were held.

In every place visited, my method of procedure was to get in touch with our Presbyterian minister, explain the nature of our work and ask for the co-operation and help of our church officials. Sympathetic help from this source has been greatly appreciated. I endeavored to get in touch with our people in two ways:— by personal visiting in their homes; by addressing public gatherings. During the year approximately four hundred homes have been visited, and over eighty gatherings addressed. These were Sabbath Day services, Sabbath School, mid-week service, Ladies' Aid, Women's Missionary Auxiliary, Y.W. Aux., Y.P. Society, C.G.I.T., Bible class, Mission Band and W.C.T.U.

Naturally the work varied—in a small locality, every Presbyterian family was visited, in larger centres, special attention was given to Presbyterian families not attending church, and special visits made to the sick and those in trouble. By request, I went to visit our Presbyterian patients in the Tranquille Sanitarium for Tuberculosis, and grateful acknowledgement was made of this service by the matron and staff. I was the resident guest of the Institution while there. A special effort was made to welcome the new-comers to our province, and in every locality an attempt was made to understand conditions under which people lived and worked. This is especially necessary in the mining and smelting districts where the men work on shift, week day and Sunday.

Literature has been sent to isolated families and localities where the need for this was discovered. Lonely homes have been linked up in some way or other with our church—for instance, a bright promising child of twelve, who lived eleven miles from Sabbath School or church, was reported to Vancouver. A C.G.I.T. Group adopted her, sending Sunday School leaflets, etc., and remembering her on her birthday and Christmas. Christian literature was specially asked for by a mother, who lives where there is no religious service of any kind. Many a time advice was asked about the training of the young, how to prevent and help sickness, and about many other problems that affect home life.

One of the most hopeful things met with, was an earnestly expressed desire on the part of many, for a revival of spiritual life in our churches and a wish for more definite Bible teaching. Ignorance of the facts of Bible history in some of our 'teen age boys and girls was appalling. The greatest need all over the province, is for teachers of our 'teen age boys and girls. Sunday School work was good and the schools well attended all over the province. Mission Bands were well attended and the interest good. At least five of our W.M.S. Auxiliaries are in existence to-day because of this work, and some of these are not only holding their own, but making distinct progress.

There are in a work of this nature, many avenues of service not easy to report. Many people in isolated places had no clear understanding of what occurred in 1925. Dr. Scott's book was put into circulation in several points. People who appeared to have no religious convictions have come to me seeking information which showed that they felt their need of God, and opportunities for service for the Master have never been lacking. The help of our ministers, students, W.M.S. and other church workers has been of the greatest assistance and it is with very deep gratitude to them, and to those who have constantly remembered this work at the Throne of Grace and who share in its results, that this story goes forth.

Resolves—Good at any Time

As President of my Auxiliary I do resolve to visit during the year every member of my Auxiliary.

As Secretary, I do resolve to record the important items of business in an accurate and condensed form, omitting unnecessary adjectives and flattering personal allusions, and to read my minutes each month in a clear and distinct voice that all members may keep informed as to the work of the Auxiliary.

As Treasurer, I do resolve to be business-like in the transaction of my duties.

As Secretary of Literature I do resolve to keep before my Auxiliary attractive and inspiring leaflets, to present each year the cause of the Church paper and the *Glad Tidings,* and to promote in every way organized mission study.

As Auxiliary Leader, I do resolve to pray daily and by name for the members of my Auxiliary.

As Member of my Auxiliary, I do resolve to carry out to the best of my ability, the part assigned me in the Auxiliary programme.

As Home Helper Secretary, I do resolve to take a personal interest in the Home Helpers and to persuade as many as I can to become active members of the Auxiliary.

As a Shut-in-Member of my Auxiliary I do resolve to pray regularly and systematically for the officers of my Auxiliary, for the monthly inspirationtal meeting and the missionaries supported by the funds of my Auxiliary.

As Press Secretary, I do resolve to prepare all notices pertaining to the Auxiliary, and to follow the monthly meeting of the Auxiliary with an attractive report in the daily paper.—*Mary Callum Wiley in The Presbyterian Message* (Adapted).

Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

DISPLAY Tables for sectional meetings will be a feature of the fall meetings, and already orders are pouring in for books to display. These are filled promptly when received, and once again we ask the Literature Secretaries to send orders EARLY that they may have plenty of time to KNOW the books, and be in a position to recommend them for the different departments in the work for which they are suited. A word of recommendation will sell almost any book, and we are anxious that the fall displays should bring good results, for many interesting new books are being added to our list. Moreover, if sales are not good, much money is wasted in the postage which takes the books out and brings them back. We desire economy of every needless expense, so that the work may progress in the best possible way for all of us.

AMBASSADORS OF GOOD WILL, the new Auxiliary study book, written on recent achievements in the work, gives the names of our missionaries, suggestions for meetings and programmes. No member should be without her copy. Price 25c. each, or $2.50 when ordered in dozen lots.

OVER THE SEAS TO CHINA, is the new study book for Girls' Organizations, and is on China. See that your C.G.I.T. and other young people's organizations are supplied with copies. Price 25c. each or in lots of one dozen $2.50.

Missionary Bookshelf lists are being prepared. Books to the value of $5.00, $10.00 or more may be had at special prices to start the bookshelf of your Auxiliary. Any Auxiliary desiring such a list may have one by stating the amount they wish to spend.

MISSIONARY HYMNAL, is a new paper bound book of hymns suitable for use in Auxiliaries. Price per copy 25c.

MISSIONARY GEMS for Juniors is an invaluable book for Mission Bands and it may be used for juvenile programmes for the Sunday School Missionary Sunday. Price per copy 35c.

Old Time Humorous *Dialogues,* and Christmas and Year Round recitation books sell for 50c. per copy. Write for our list.

The GOLD OF GUIANA is a little paper covered book written on the early days of British Guiana, and is the only book we have on this country; price per copy 20c.

THE BUSY MAN'S VISION OF GOD, by Stacy Waddy, is a nicely bound inspirational little book, on accepting Jesus in our everyday life. Price each 35c.

For your THANK-OFFERING a poem has been especially written, and is being sent free, with envelopes ordered. Enclose one leaflet with each envelope. Price per hundred for the envelopes is 35c.

The Thank-offering Box in One Family, leaflet, is 3c. each.

The Thank-offering Box Opened at the Master's Feet, another leaflet at 3c. each.

THE MISSIONARY SPEAKER AND READER is just the thing for getting up programmes for all ages. There are over 150 pages of readings, recitations and responsive services. Price 50c.

HEROINES OF INDIA is a book for senior girls, and tells much of life in India, and of the heroism of the native girls in Christian work. Price per copy 35c.

THE BLACK BEARDED BARBARIAN, the life of Dr. G. L. Mackay, of Formosa, by Marian Keith, has been reprinted, and we are now prepared to send all wanting the story of this great founder of our work in Formosa, a copy, nicely bound and illustrated at $1.50 each. This is an announcement which most of our people will welcome.

Next month a list of Christmas specials will be announced. Watch for it, and order early. Meantime we recommend the following titles, which have already been reviewed,

Aggrey of Africa, by Edwin W. Smith, price per copy $2.50.

Love the Law of Life, by Toyohiko Kagawa, the great Japanese Christian writer, $2.00.

A cloud of Witnesses, Women Missionaries, Bible Women, etc., paper bound 50c.

(See also list of leaflets at back of *Glad Tidings,* in W.M.S. Publications.)

Of interest to mothers are the new health publications, by Dr. Helen MacMurchy, the Canadian Mother's Book, and Bulletin No. 51 on the precautions to take for Infantile Paralysis. These may be secured free of charge by writing to Department of Pensions and National Health, Ottawa. Our readers in rural districts are especially invited to write for these.

My Reading

"FINALLY brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any praise, think on these things."—Phil. IV: 8.

Other readings: Psalm XIX; Psalm CXIX: 9-16; Prov. III: 13-20; 2 Tim. III: 14-17; Heb. 1: 1-4; Hymn 202; Hymn 503.

Why do we read? For enjoyment? for the love of beauty? for knowledge? to understand life and to manage it well? What would Christ think of your reading? Is most of it light and common-place? is it childish? is there much real beauty and truth and joy in it? is it clean? is it feeding, or starving, or poisoning your mind? Are you really making use of the *wonderful privilege of being able to read and having such a wealth of good reading within your reach in this modern world?*

Thanksgiving Prayer

Eternal God, Giver of all goodness, beauty and truth, I praise Thee for these Thy gifts, to which Thou openest men's eyes in age after age, and with the love of which Thou enlargest their hearts. I praise Thee, I bless Thee, I adore Thee, for Thy Word made flesh in Jesus. I praise Thee for Thy gift of the Bible, speaking to us of Thee and of Thy Son Jesus Christ. I praise Thee for its coming to us in our native tongue, through the labors and struggles of Thy brave servants in bygone days. I praise Thee for all strength and cheer, light and cleansing, that I have found in its words. I praise Thee, O my God, for all good and beautiful books. I praise Thee for enriching my leisure hours with them, giving me wisdom and joy, solemn thought and wholesome laughter, all from Thy hand.

Confession

For neglect of Thy Word; for indifference to the story of Jesus Christ; for heedlessness to Thy voice:

Forgive us, O God.

For all foolishness in my reading; for indolence in the quest of what is true and good; for misuse of Thy gifts, in reading what is evil;

Forgive us, O God.

Give us, O Heavenly Father, insight and perseverance in the love of what Thou lovest. Strengthen me to put away whatsoever would turn my heart to evil, and to seek, in all my reading, the things that are true and lovely and of good report.

Intercession

O Lord our God, who callest us to be true stewards of all Thy gifts, hear my prayer now—for all who with their pen influence the lives of men and women. . . all writers, editors, journalists. . . . for those who make books—publishers and printers—that by their craft they may honor Thee. . . for all who print and circulate the Bible, in any language, in this and other lands. . . May the entrance of Thy Word give light in all the world.

O Thou Who art the Light of the minds that know Thee, the Life of the souls that love Thee, and the Strength of the thoughts that seek Thee; help us so to know Thee that we may truly love Thee, so to love Thee that we may fully serve Thee, Whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—*A Day Book of Prayer*

[If desired, two or three members could take part in this service. The last section entitled "Intercession" would be a suitable closing prayer.—Ed.]

Be thankful for the task too great for you,
The plan that is too large for you alone;
The need that claims a better than your best,
And draws you humbly to the Father's throne.
For there the finite meets the Infinite
And human limitations pass away;
God's great reserve of kindling, conquering power
Is yours to draw from through the darkest day.

—*Mary S. Edgar.*

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggestions for Bible Readings on the Acts of the Apostles

4. Power Operating Through Witnesses in Samaria—Acts chapters 8-12.

"YE shall be witnesses unto me in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." This was the Lord's command, but the Jew felt it to be an unlawful thing to go unto one of another nation (10: 28). Race prejudice must therefore be broken down and God Who "works in a mysterious way his wonders to perform" uses the persecution in Jerusalem which follows the death of Stephen, to lead the disciples to do His will. They seek refuge among other nations and there preach Christ. Several notable events follow, each marking a forward step in the spread of Christianity.

1. Revival in Samaria. (Acts 8: 4-8, 12-17). This opens the door of salvation to Gentiles of Asia.
2. Conversion of the Ethiopian, an influential member of the court of an African Queen (Acts 8: 26-39). On his return to his own country, he introduced the gospel into Abyssinia, which still remains a Christian kingdom.
3. Conversion of Cornelius, an army officer of Rome (Acts 10: 1-6, 44-48).
4. Conversion of Saul (Acts 9: 1-20; Eph. 3: 1-8). Through the witness of the disciples in Samaria a way is opened for the shedding forth of gospel light among the Gentiles of Asia, Africa and Europe which comprised the then known world. Saul is chosen and prepared for the task.

In these chapters we have "an account of the transition of the church to a missionary religion offering salvation by faith alone to all men." Divine approval is shown by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Gentiles (Acts 8: 17, 10: 44).

HOW TO MAKE EACH MEETING SO INTERESTING THAT EVERY MEMBER WILL WANT TO BE THERE

Given at a Sectional Meeting in North Mornington.

1. In order to have every member interested, we must give each one something to do. An active member is always an interested member.

2. Undertake big tasks. We may not reach the goal, but our Society will be benefited by the effort put forth.

3. Every member should be a *praying member.* "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

4. Have a wide outlook, remember our motto "The World for Christ."

5. Let the Society undertake some definite work for which it alone is responsible.

7. Get every member to invite others to the meetings and treat everyone who attends in such a kind, friendly manner that they will want to come back again.

8. Be on the lookout for any available assistance from visitors or those interested in missionary work in the community.

9. Don't neglect the Home Helpers. They may not be able to attend the meetings but they will contribute to the funds and might make valuable suggestions.

10. Lastly, be so enthusiastic in the work that others will catch some of your enthusiasm.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A CHAT WITH CANADIAN GIRLS ABOUT JAPANESE GIRLS

Caroline Macdonald

I CAME back to Japan to find the cherry blossoms already turning pink and "hard times" in full bloom. Strikes were rife among the workers as wages were being cut and superfluous people dismissed. The patient people of Tokyo were obliged to endure a street car strike for a week while the authorities concerned and the workers settled their differences to nobody's satisfaction. A strike occurred in a great textile industry which operates a large number of factories in various parts of the country and which employs vast numbers of girls who live in boarding houses belonging to the company and situated within the walls of the factory precincts. It is not necessary to go into the details of the causes of the trouble. Suffice it to say that the immediate cause had to do with the threat to cut already starvation wages, while the company was paying a dividend to its shareholders of 35 per cent. The company had always opposed the formation of labor unions among their employees and as the majority of these were young girls between the ages of fourteen and eighteen years of age and living in boarding houses controlled by the company it was very difficult to make a protest against the company's arbitrary acts. Already organized labor unions came to their assistance, and the protest continued for a time. In some cases the girls were turned out of the company's boarding houses and obliged to find refuge elsewhere. The affair was settled finally to the disadvantage of the workers as usual, but with the lesson written large in the skies that unless workers organize even in spite of difficulties, they have no hope of redress.

Night School Students Make Good

I returned to Japan in time to see the end of the school year in the night school which we have been carrying on for girls who work in the daytime. I was very pleased to find that a girl who had attended the school for three years had succeeded in entering the third year of an accredited high school and that she had saved enough out of her small earnings to be able to attend this day school for two years and obtain a government certificate. It is difficult for those of us who can more or less control our time and energies to realize how much sacrifice of time and ordinary interests it requires for a girl to work for her living from seven in the morning until five in the evening and then hurry from her work to attend a night school from six until nine for five nights in the week. Even for one year this would have been an achievement, but to continue for three years and then to pass an examination into an accredited day school speaks something for her and for the devotion of the teachers of the night school as well.

Another of our students completed four years' work in the school. She works in a factory where astronomical lenses are made and after years of work she has reached a place where she examines lenses to test their perfection. She is a quiet, steady girl and one can easily imagine her performing very important duties. The four years have helped her not only to be more efficient in her work but have taught her also the secret of the love of God.

Factory Girls Yearn for an Education

For several years we have been carrying on educational classes among girls who work in a government clothing factory. These classes have been carried on at their own labor union headquarters for, unlike the textile industry, the government has offered no opposition to the formation of labor unions in these factories and the girls go back and forth from their own homes every day to work. This of course gives them the chance to live much freer lives than those who both work and live behind factory walls. It must be said to the credit of both the workers and the management of this factory that the labor union has been functioning for the past fifteen years without so much as a strike having occurred. For the past five years these girls have been making a noble effort to educate themselves and with our co-operation have held continuous classes in all sorts of subjects. We have supplied the teachers and they have supplied the place of meeting and the students. It seems a very good mutual arrangement.

Girls in Industry Keenly Interested in Other Countries

It is astonishing how interested these girls who work in factories are in the things that are taking place in other countries. Before I went to Geneva last year some girls who work in the textile industry sent through me a message to Miss Margaret Bondfield (who at the time was neither the Right Honorable nor yet a Cabinet minister) thanking her for the part she had taken two or three years previously at the International Labor Conference on behalf of the effort to have the system of night work for women abolished. At that time the women in the textile industry in Japan worked in day and night shifts and efforts in Japan had been unavailing to abolish the system. Thanks to various efforts both within Japan and through the labor organization in Geneva night work for women in the textile industries was abolished last year (July 1, 1929) to the great benefit both physically and spiritually of the thousands of Japanese girls concerned.

By the time I got the message delivered to Miss Bondfield she had become the Minister of Labor of Great Britain, but she remembered well the fight at Geneva over the problem of night work for women in Japan and was extraordinarily pleased to learn that on the first of July of that year the night work for women had been abolished.

Not long ago two or three girls in industry dropped in for a chat and it was not long before we were talking of affairs in Great Britain and the great advance that women had made there. They could scarcely believe that women were members of parliament and occupied many public positions. One of the girls said, ''How I do envy them. We seem so far away from any such goal.'' It was a good chance to remind them of the years of effort and faith that are required wherever people seek for higher ideals and a better life for the world, and that these things would come to Japan also and to its women when they too recognized that the spirit of sacrifice and faith in God were the prices that men and women in every country have paid for achievement. Japan is sometimes apt to forget in her gallant little march in the modern way of life that neither progress nor character can be emulated. They can only be achieved.

A New Occupation for Women

Tokyo has a network of bus lines as well as street cars running to the utmost bounds of the city and often far into the suburbs. It is interesting to know that all the bus conductors are conductresses. Little bits of things most of them are,—size is no criterion of usefulness in this country—and they hop off and on the buses as they stop here and there on their journey and when they hop on they speed the instepping passenger by a friendly but firm touch on the arm and an admonition to ''watch your step'' or whatever may be the English equivalent of the Japanese expression. And when you step off they advise you not to forget anything, which is always a timely warning to me. They collect the fares and in a polite but firm manner request all and sundry to take up no more room than the law allows, they assist the motor man to signal when a corner is about to be turned, and like most women all the world over do their own work and help the men to do theirs. And many of them go home at night to a husband and family. I have a little friend who is a bus conductor and although I have never happened to see her conduct a bus I have seen her conduct other affairs which have shown her ability. So much for one type of working woman in Japan that is not usual to see in other countries.

KEEPING ''FIT''

To-day I spent part of my morning at a hospital consulting with a doctor about a young woman who works in a factory and was a student in our night school a year or two ago. About a year ago she married a young working man whom I had known for several years, but as their household arrangements were very simple indeed she continued to work in the Government clothing factory where she had been for a number of years. She came to see me shortly after I returned to Japan looking very thin and tired. One thinks at once of tuberculosis in this country and I hurried her down to St. Luke's Hospital to have her attended to. The upshot of it all is that she must get away both from her work and her husband and the fearful heat of this huge city if she is to have any chance whatever for her life. A good kind English lady, whose husband was an invalid for many years and who has a tiny home in the country which she shares with people who need her help, will perhaps care for her and teach her to take care of herself before it is too late. Thank heaven for the people who are willing to do odd jobs and gratuitous bits of service.

Tuberculosis is a very prevalent disease in Japan and it is very difficult to get people to take care of themselves before it is too late. It is naturally most prevalent where girls are working in factories for even under fairly good conditions life is very confining. The factory in which this girl has been working is under government auspices and working conditions are better than among many privately owned establishments. Every Sunday is a holiday as well as all national holidays, which is not true of the majority of factories where usually only two holidays are given during the month instead of every Sunday.

In Japan, 65 per cent. of all industrial workers are women. By far the largest single industry is textile and weaving work and for this women or rather one might say girls between the ages of fourteen and twenty are largely used. The labor movement in Japan very early realized the importance of women in industry and have admitted them into the labor unions on the same footing as men with the single exception that they do not pay so high an entrance fee as the men, which is manifestly fair as they receive lower wages.

MISSION BANDS

THE "SUNSHINE" MISSION BAND AND THEIR THANK-OFFERINGS

MRS. J. W. DILL

THERE were two reasons for excitement on the part of the members of the "Sunshine" Mission Band.

In the first place it was the Thank-offering meeting, and the mite-boxes were to be brought in that day, and each member was wondering how much they would have that year. The year before it had been $15.00.

The second reason for excitement was that they were to have a real, live, missionary from India and she was going to wear an Indian costume. "Yes", said one little girl, "she is our Leader's sister." "Don't forget," said Bessie Jones, "that she is my auntie."

Every member was on time and not one absent. There had been a win-one campaign and thirty-five new members was the result and that brought their membership up to seventy-five. It was a happy time and a joyful sight to see those seventy-five boys and girls. It was an every-one-take-part programme and the youngest member folded her little hands, closed her eyes, and prayed to the Heavenly Father:

"We thank Thee for our Mission Band,
And for this happy day,
Bless boys and girls in our dear land
And those so far away."

The mite-boxes were brought up to the table and while the Secretary and Treasurer counted the mites, hymn 766, "Follow Me The Master Said," was sung as a part song, and a dialogue, "Why I Am Thankful" was delightfully given. A few minutes silence, not even one whisper, then the Treasurer said "Boys and girls, your Thank-offering this year is $50.00." Such a clap and such a long one.

"What a noise one hundred and fifty hands can make" whispered Mrs. Jones to her sister who was smiling on the happy children.

After the Thanksgiving prayer came the great event, the missionary's address. Not one of the seventy-five pair of eyes wandered from the sweet, happy face of the speaker, and eager hearts and minds drank in the stories of India's children. At the tea hour one little girl asked their guest, "What would you like for your little school girls when you go back to India?"

"Well" said Bessie's aunt, "if some of you could spare a doll—I know Bessie has fifteen—it would make some of your Indian sisters very happy."

A few months later the girls had a doll shower and they planned to pack them the next week. Bessie said she had brought the three she cared the least about, but when packing day came she brought her best and favorite doll to go to India. She wanted to show God how thankful she was that she was a Canadian girl and not born in India.

That favorite doll and all its pretty clothes really saved the life of a little sick girl in India who did not want to live, until it was put in her poor, weak arms. To hold her pretty doll, she took medicine and food and got well.

Now for the happy ending. A lady and gentleman who were visiting India heard the story of the little orphan girl and her doll and they are educating her to be a missionary to her own people. Bessie says that she too is going to follow her doll to India and help the Indian girl tell the glad news of Jesus and His love.

A Mission Band Wish

If I could help the little ones
Who live far o'er the sea,
I'd save up all my nickels
To give, dear Lord, to Thee;

That those who teach the children
In missionary places,
To wear, instead of dreadful fear,
A smile upon their faces.

I'd like to help the little ones
Who come from countries far
To know that we Canadians
Their loving neighbors are.

And those who work with sick ones,
To heal their limbs and hands,
Are surely our own workers,
God blesses in far lands.

If we could send more workers
To tell of God above,
I'd save my share of pennies,
And give them with my love.

—*Lereine Ballantyne.*

AN AFRICAN CHILD'S PRAYER

"O Thou Great Chief, light a candle within our hearts that we may see what is therein and sweep the rubbish from Thy dwelling-place."

(*The prayer of an African school girl in Northern Rhodesia.*)

OUR LETTER BOX

Amazing Progress

Jhansi, India.

"SO many new girls have come in this year that getting things started after the holidays has taken time. I have all the old staff of teachers back and two news ones. We have ninety-four girls registered. Of these, eighty-five are boarders, so that we have quite a family to look after. I have realized the last three days just what a matron's task is, for Manki Bai was away on three days' leave to put her daughter, Lily, in school. One of the teachers slept in the school but the food, etc., I had to look after myself.

I have started to teach all the English classes, which means I have three every day and five every second day, besides Bible classes.

We have a very nice group of girls. Two of my last year's girls are to be married in August and two of our big orphans I sent to the Neemuch Babies' Home to learn child nursing.

This year I have a sixth class of three girls. This is the first Departmental Examination for girls and also the first time we've had any girls to try, so we're hoping they will pass. If they should, I wonder if we could get someone sufficiently interested to grant a scholarship for further training. Priscilla, one of the girls whose parents are very poor, is bonded over to the Mission until she's eighteen. As yet she's only thirteen and I would like to see her go ahead. She has four years to train for a first class teacher and that would leave her still one year of service for the mission. There are so many other bright girls to whom a scholarship would be such a blessing.

Last year, just before I went to the hills, I sent a big order of school sewing to a Y.W.S. in Alberta. They were very pleased and sold the goods and last week I received another big order from them. I wonder if we couldn't get the Societies at home interested to send us orders for their fancy work sales. If we could, it would solve the sales problem for us and be a help financially.

It was decided that Miss Simpson should get the car as suggested using the hospital fees, dispensary money and $300.00 from the surplus.

The new bungalow at Baragoon is finished and as soon as the new missionaries arrive Miss Whatling and Miss Simpson will move out there. The boys are making the furniture for it and are doing a lovely piece of work. The sideboard for the dining room is especially fine. The bungalow is going to be very nice indeed. The living and dining-room are longer than this bungalow, and it has what this bungalow lacks, that is a dressing room. The yard around will take a lot of work before it will look well, but it will be a very pretty place in time.

We are having plenty of rain this year and are praying it will keep up for the whole rainy season. Everything looks so nice and green. We can almost see things grow. The gardener tells me he wants flowers everywhere this year as there will be lots of water.''

—*Miss F. Irene Stringer.*

Given to Hospitality

Fort McMurray.

"I HAVE had so many visitors going through, no less than three of our own church ladies at different times, and beside meeting the train in the heavy down pour, (for it rains every mail day) have tried to entertain them for the day. Also had a man who was hurt fifty miles down the river, by falling off a roof. He hurt his back and was here for a week in the intense heat, but the little hospital was comfortable.

Yesterday's late train brought Hon. Frank Oliver and Mrs. Oliver on their way to the Arctic circle. This morning on my way down to take a bouquet of flowers to Mrs. Oliver at six a.m. I was just in time to lend aid to a man who had fallen overboard and was chilled to the bone. A motor hurried him to the hospital and he is resting comfortably.

To picture somewhat my position and the interruptions, it has come to this, I scarcely ever dare to take a sponge and try to look respectable in the afternoon, before the door bell rings. I have tried rising early, say five or five-thirty, to solve the solution in trying to get my washing and a little cooking done, and these hot days one needs to have a little relaxation and read, but even that is interrupted. And I was just thinking this morning as I was walking down the little path to see the sick baby, (the father came before eight o'clock for me) what a lot of interesting facts I have to neglect, just for want of extra time and concentration.

Another thing, what about time for meditation? That has been a most serious problem with me, until I had it solved through an answer to someone else's query in the *Evangelical Christian.* For a little while one perhaps does not see the tragic side. I have been ashamed almost to ask for special guidance when I thought I had been so negligent. However, as I said, my mind is more at rest on that point now, but sometimes I do hunger and thirst to have my mind refreshed, and when I wait until the evening I find sometimes the brain is too weary to take much in after the drain and so many calls during the day. These are just points which come to my mind, but please, *not complaints.*

My little 'hostel' or 'nurse's home' is almost completed. It has a little fireplace, a real bath tub, and a welcome to all the ladies of the

Presbyterian Church in Canada to pay a visit and have a real rest. No telephone and no rental.

To add to my collection of visitors, a nurse from the Anglican hospital at Hay River flew down the day we had set for the Sunday School picnic. She came wandering down to the church for me, tired as she was, for she had been flying from seven a.m. till three, so I hastened back and got her a cup of tea and made her comfortable while I continued with the children's picnic. What is more restful to a nurse, than a nurse? I did not know her, but she knew I was here and would be made welcome. Down North they are obliged to entertain the flyers and any others who may be passengers, so you see it is quite a habit of the northern country and in fact throughout all western Canada.

I have had a good many more emergency cases. The other night just as I was retiring there was a ring at the bell. It was an unfortunate man who had arrived by boat which was very late, pleading for me to dress his hand. He had nearly severed his thumb with a mower (the horses took fright and ran away and he had to walk ¾ mile for aid) and we had to be so careful in removing the old dressing stuck on with congealed blood, which was on for five days. I am sure I was nearly an hour and a half removing it, for he was so afraid I would displace the thumb. My, how grateful he was! He also had a very bad cut near the hip, and could scarcely sit down. He came over two or three more times before it was time to take the train, and on further acquaintance I found he was a son of a former minister in Vancouver.''

—*Miss Olive Ross.*

Work in the Village and on the Farm

Jhansi, India.

"OUR farm women have continued to have their Wednesday afternoon meetings and for over a year the women who can read and write take turns in conducting them. Last year, besides singing and prayer, they took up the Sunday School lesson for the coming Sunday. This year, we decided to start Genesis and read a few chapters of the Old Testament each Wednesday. After reading the chapters the women give some explanation and ask a few questions. Each quarter we are going to have a special meeting. The women themselves decided to make it a special prayer meeting, having in mind probably the prayers we had last year on the World Day of Prayer.

On Tuesday, the Missionary Union meeting was held in Lalitpur, sixty miles away. We were to have gone there for last month's meeting, but the railway strike was on and we did not go. This time we decided to go by motor bus. The three bachelor Sahibs, and Miss Simpson and I went from our Mission. I stayed with our Miss Sahibs all night, and in the morning walked home—the first time I have ever walked to or from Jhansi. I have been doing a good deal of walking to neighbor villages and so thought I should be good for the seven miles. I am fond of walking and always wanted to make that trip just for fun. The villagers going to Jhansi with their milk and cow cakes, etc., seemed quite surprised to see me walking home alone and I think some who did not know me very well, thought it was not proper.

The work in the nearby village takes the form of short courses. I started them late last fall, and the girls sewed and sang very enthusiastically up to Christmas time. I did not want Christmas to make a break, but it did. Then the first of February I started one of our Christian women at the sewing class. She and another woman had been going daily to the women's homes and thought a change from that work would be beneficial for a month. Now the girls will be busy in the fields with wheat and chunna harvest. At our annual entertainment these girls, at the suggestion of one of our Christian women, sang two or three hymns by themselves. They were quite lacking in self-consciousness. The village women are so fond of listening to singing and learning to sing.''

—*Mrs. A. Hawtin.*

Working and Studying

Kobe, Japan.

"WE are back to regular study again. Mrs. Chang is leaving me and going to Bible School at Yokohama, so next week I start in with a new teacher.

Yesterday we spent the day at kindergarten graduations, Pyungo in the morning and Emamia in the afternoon. Both were very fine and

Miss Jean McLean and her Sunday School Class the children as cute as could be. The graduating kiddies were very proud and happy. At Pyungo there were 5 graduates and at Emamia 13. These children will now enter Japanese schools and we hope that the training they have received and the Bible stories they have learned may be but the seeds sown in their hearts, and that these seeds may grow day by day.

The accompanying picture was taken one Sunday just after I finished teaching my class. This is just the natural position while in Church or Sunday School. The round black bowl you see, contains charcoal. This is used instead of stoves for warmth in winter. I am sorry that all the women were not present. The attendance varies, sometimes there are 12 or 13, and the other Sunday there were 30. However, these women in the picture are the faithful ones.

In a week or so we are planning to visit the Korean groups in Kyoto. There are three groups there and as we have not been there before, we decided to try and go. I am looking forward to really getting to work, when I have the language sufficiently well, and my great ambition is to get it well, though at present it seems unattainable, but there is always hope.''

—*Jean MacLean.*

[The two foregoing letters were set up some time ago, and we regret that lack of space has prevented their appearing until now. Enjoy them for the information they give and never mind if they are a little late.—Ed.]

Grateful Newcomers

THIS letter was received from the first couple who were married in the new Presbyterian Immigration office at the port of Quebec.

''Last Saturday we got from you and the ohter nice Peopeel the greetings and good wisses, we was very happy anything to hear from you, we did think you had forget us, it's very nice, if you remember sometime for us. You will excuse me please if i make any Mistake in this Letter its the first Letter wat i write englich. Today we got your very nice Picture, we was very glad, if we see the Picture we woult think of you every time. We say you very much thanks for you dit do for us, many thanks and greetings for the ohter Peopeel to, we hope you woult us write sometime a Letter again we woult be happy.

With kind tougt and greetings.''

GIVING

''God gives us joy that we may give,
He gives us joy that we may share;
Sometimes He gives us loads to lift
That we may learn to bear.''

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

MRS. D. S. MACKENZIE, 8809 112TH ST., EDMONTON, PRESS SECRETARY

EDMONTON P.S.—The semi-annual meeting of the executive of Edmonton Presbyterial was held at Killam, July 3rd, the president, Mrs. A. T. Kinnaird, Edmonton, was in the chair. The devotional period was in charge of Mrs. T. F. Smith, Edmonton and Mrs. Blott of Lougheed. Distinctly encouraging reports were given by all the Secretaries. Mrs. F. W. Allott of Calgary, Provincial President, was present, and gave a splendid address. The meeting was well attended. The supply work of the Edmonton Presbyterial is completed for the year. Plans are now being made for Mission Band rallies.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

MRS. D. A. FOWLIE, 501 WINNIPEG ST., PENTICTON, PRESS SECRETARY

DURING July and August, the majority of Auxiliaries suspended regular meetings, but did not give up all missionary work; the interest was maintained, and much good was accomplished in the vacation months. Reports have come in of special meetings where addresses were given by missionary workers from other lands, who brought cheering messages of progress made and of hopes for the future. These addresses stimulated their listeners to greater efforts in the cause of missions.

The Chinese children of Victoria and Vancouver are very fortunate in having mission schools under the direction of devoted Christian women who are preparing the children to be good citizens in the future. Frequently the parents become interested and are eager to learn more of the gospel. In this way the schools are serving a double purpose. The report of the closing exercises in Victoria and of a very successful vacation kindergarten in Vancouver prove what can be accomplished through faithful work and prayer.

A well-attended meeting of members and friends of Fairview Church, Vancouver, was addressed by Miss Catherine Moody and Miss Ellen Douglas, members of St. Edmond's Church, New Westminster, who expect to leave for India in October. Miss Moody is to work in the Gwalior field while Miss Douglas will labor among the Bhils. We feel God will surely bless the efforts of these consecrated young women who are eager to give of their time and talents to service among the needy of India.

With the approach of Autumn, all Auxiliaries and Mission Bands are taking up active work, and are looking forward to making this the best year we have known. Greater interest in missions is being shown among the women of the churches. As our members increase more can be accomplished.

Through its Secretary, Mrs. D. A. Smith, 175 10th Ave. W., Vancouver, the Exchange Department offers the following this month:—

1. A copy of the new report of the General Board of Missions. This will be found exceedingly valuable in the preparation of missionary papers.

2. The Story of Ruth—a ten minute study on the life of the famous Bible character.

3. Ten copies of ''Pilgrim's Progress''—an hour's musical service, splendid for Mission Bands, C.G.I.T., or Y.W.A.

ONTARIO

MRS. D. MASON MCLENNAN, 167 ROEHAMPTON AVE., TORONTO, PRESS SEC.

BRUCE AND OWEN SOUND P.S.—St. Paul's Auxiliary, Glamis, records the passing of Mrs. H. Campbell, a Life Member, Honorary President and a faithful worker in the Supply Department.

Kingston P.S. held a summer rally in Sand Hill Church, August 13th, Mrs. G. A. Reid, Belleville, presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Gananoque, St. John's, and Sand Hill Auxiliaries. Mrs. James Greenless, Sand Hill gave a cordial welcome to which Mrs. Moore, Belleville, replied. Reports from Departmental Secretaries were read, and items of special interest from Auxiliaries and Mission Bands given. Mrs. Duff, Kingston, was appointed Assistant Corresponding Secretary and Mrs. A. E. Cameron, Pittsburgh, Press Secretary. An interesting account of the writing of the hymn, ''In the Cross of Christ I Glory'', was given by Mrs. Duff. Mrs. W. A. McLennan, Toronto, gave much helpful information in her address on organization, and the relationship between the W.M.S., and the General Assembly.

Lindsay P.S. held a semi-annual meeting at Fenelon Falls in June, with well-attended sessions and encouraging secretarial reports. Miss Gould, Uxbridge, presided, Mrs. Drake, Bolsover, gave a report of the Provincial meeting. Miss A. Gowans, formerly a missionary in China, gave an enjoyable address, and Mrs. W. A. McLennan, Toronto, brought greetings from the Provincial.

Toronto P.S.—The Jubilee meeting of the Richmond Hill Auxiliary was held September 4th, in celebration of the 113th anniversary services of the Church. Mrs. J. G. Inkster, Toronto, gave an inspiring address, after which Mrs. Sneddon presented a Life Membership to the oldest member of the W.M.S., and two Junior certificates, donated by the Sunday School, to Mission Band members.

The Late Miss Marie Christine Ratte

It is with deep regret we report the entering into rest, on August 19th, of Miss Marie Christine Ratte, Superintendent of the Presbyterian Girls' Home, Toronto. She was a Life Member of the W.M.S., and a member of Glenview Afternoon Auxiliary. Despite her busy life, she never refused an opportunity to address a W.M.S. meeting and her own life of service, her marvellous faith and her firm belief in the power of prayer were an inspiration to all who came in contact with her.

QUEBEC

Mrs. J. D. Anderson, 108 Ellice St., Beauharnois, Press Secretary

The Late Mrs. Duncan Gordon

THERE entered into rest July 27th, Mrs. Duncan Gordon, Honorary Vice-President Quebec Provincial Society, and President of Stanley Church Auxiliary for the past ten years. A life-long member of the W.M.S., Mrs. Gordon filled many offices, always bringing to the chair a prepared programme. Her faith in God, reliance on His Word, and prayer life, together with her buoyant spirit gave her such dignity, reverence and courage that she was able to guide her co-workers victoriously through many perplexing paths and inspire them to do their best. She was the friend of little children, the stranger and the shut-in. The work of the Mission Band, Young People's Society, students and minority groups all benefited by her loving thought and generosity. The Presbyterian Church has lost a devoted and faithful member. Her home, the centre of Christian hospitality, was the meeting place of her Auxiliary Executive. There, all felt enriched by her consecrated spirit. May her mantle fall upon those who rejoiced in her happy fellowship and so may the work of our Women's Missionary Society go forward.

The Late Mrs. E. B. Busteed

MONTREAL Presbyterial has again been bereaved of one of its most active members in the passing, early in August, of Mrs. E. B. Busteed, President of the Auxiliary of the Church of St. Andrew and St. Paul. Mrs. Busteed had been in failing health for some time previous to her decease, but maintained until the last a lively interest in all that concerned the Presbyterian Church and the work of the W.M.S. She was associated with the former Montreal W.M.S. and for several years acted as Recording Secretary for the local executive. At the time of that organization's twenty-fifth anniversary she compiled a valuable "Historical Sketch" of the Society which was printed and widely distributed. At the time of her death, Mrs. Busteed was Exchange Secretary for Quebec Provincial. Mrs. Busteed was one of the strongest opponents of the movement for church union, and it was as President of the Women's League for the Preservation of the Presbyterian Church in Canada that Mrs. Busteed's name will best be remembered.

Life Members

British Columbia Provincial.—

LIFE MEMBER

Westminster P.S.—Mrs. Katherine McLeod, Robertson Aux., Vancouver.

JUNIOR MEMBER

Westminster P.S.—Gerald Gibson, "Goforth" M.B., Mount Pleasant Ch., Vancouver.

IN MEMORIAM CERTIFICATE

In Loving Memory of:

Westminster P.S.—Mrs. Wm. MacFarlane, to her family, by members and friends of St. Paul's Aux., Vancouver.

Manitoba Provincial.—

JUNIOR MEMBER

Superior P.S.—Olive May Wood, McKay M.B., Port Arthur, Ont.

Ontario Provincial.—

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JUNIOR MEMBERS

Barrie P.S.—Athol Shipley, Allen Kelly, Agnes Chalmers, Isabel Whipps, Eleanor Richards, "Reoch" M.B., Collingwood. **Huron P.S.**—Helen McLean, Mary Flett, Leona Box, Marjorie Wigg, Dorothy Drover, Jack Drover, Harold Free, Alastear Wigg, Donald McTavish, Seaforth M.B.

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Honorary Members

Hamilton P.S.—Mrs. D. H. Fletcher, by Hamilton Presbyterial. **Maitland P.S.**—Mrs. H. E. Coombe, Miss J. A. Mather, Kincardine, by Maitland Presbyterial.

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Barrie P.S.—Mamie Cunningham (fifth payment), Bright Sunbeams M.B., Orillia. Mamie Cunningham, Barbara Eaton, Eleanor Dunn (gold seals); Margaret Arens, Katherine Eaton, Jean Cunningham (silver seals); Elaine Arens, Catherine Braden, Mary McArthur, Katherine Gray (blue seals); Beatrice McArthur, Jean Cayley, Campbell Gilchrist, ''Bright Sunbeams'' M.B., Orillia. **Bruce and Owen Sound P.S.**—John Matheson, Sinclair H.H. branch, Tiverton. **Hamilton P.S.**—Miss S. Scott, St. John's M.B., Hamilton. **Lanark and Renfrew P.S.**—Janet Pebbles, Marion Tait, Isabel Ferguson (blue seals); Ivey Grant, W. Ross Gray, Reta McGillis, Jean McIntosh, Laural Christie, Robena Taylor, Hugh Dyke and Douglas MacKay, Sunbeam M.B., Westminster Ch., Smith Falls. **London P.S.**—Velma Bowman, Keith McEwan, Sunbeam M.B., Ailsa Craig; Helen M. Dodson, Clara E. Jones, Sunshine M.B., Knox Ch., Fingal. **Maitland P.S.**—Elmer Ballagh, Belmore M.B.; Harold E. Campbell, Molesworth M.B. **Ottawa P.S.**—Ruth M. Young, Sunshine M.B., Manotick; M. Jean Hill, Isabel Hill, Westboro M.B. **Peterboro P.S.**—Sara Sands, Dorothy Morrow, Laura Reid, Helen Steer, Margaret MacDonald, Jean Stinson, Margaret Morgan (blue seals); Margaret Morgan (silver seal), St. Paul's M.B., Peterboro. **Stratford P.S.**—Elsie M. Burt, Romeo Ward Aux., St. Andrew's, Stratford; Mina M. Riley, Florence Collins, Knox M.B., Mitchell. **Toronto P.S.**—Florence Foulds (silver seal) and Helen McEwan, Coral M.B., Parkdale Ch., Toronto.

IN MEMORIAM SUBSCRIPTION

In Loving Memory of:

Barrie P.S.—Mrs. J. A. Davidson, to Rev. J. A. Davidson, Victoria Harbor, by Barrie Presbyterial. **Bruce and Owen Sound P.S.**—His mother, to Dr. M. C. G. Bebee, by St. Andrew's W.M.S., Owen Sound. **Lindsay P.S.**—Loved ones, by Mrs. D. McTaggart, Woodville. **Maitland P.S.**—Dr. and Mrs. Perrie, to Mrs. Harold Parker, by Maitland Presbyterial Executive. **Ottawa P.S.**—Mrs. A. G. Cameron, by St. Giles Aux., Ottawa. **Peterborough P.S.**—Mrs. James McCan, by Mrs. J. McCan, St. Paul's Aux., Peterborough. **Stratford P.S.**—Mrs. (Rev.) J. T. Murdock, by ''Buds of Promise'' M.B., Shakespeare.

Quebec Provincial.—

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HONORARY MEMBERS

Montreal P.S.—Miss Nettie M. Bremner, Miss Ethel C. Reid, Miss Iris Edith A. Munro, Knox-Crescent Aux., Montreal.

IN MEMORIAM SUBSCRIPTION

In Loving Memory of:

Montreal P.S.—Mr. R. H. Crawford and Mr. Wallace A. Crawford, by Mrs. Barbara A. Crawford, St. Andrew's, Huntingdon, Que.

NEW ORGANIZATION

BRITISH COLUMBIA

Westminster P.S.—Associate Society, Main St., Mission, Vancouver, B.C.

MANITOBA

Superior P.S.—Kenora Aux.; ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' Indian Residential School Aux.

Ontario

Stratford P.S.—Burns Ch. Y.W.A., Milverton.

Toronto P.S.—Forest Hill Aux.

Entered into Rest

EAST ZORRA.—On June 21st, Mrs. H. Whaley, President for many years of Burns Ch. Aux., East Zorra.

INGERSOLL.—Miss Janet Logan, of St. Paul's Auxiliary, Ingersoll, a Life Member of the W.M.S.

KEENE.—On July 30th, Mrs. Z. Tucker, Supply Secretary and Treasurer for years of Keene Auxiliary; also a Life Member.

Treasurer's Statement

July and August, 1930.

RECEIPTS

A Friend, "Scholarship for Nelson-Ganji-Ji" ..	$ 25.00
A Friend, "Scholarship for child in Miss Robson's School"	60.00
A Friend, "Chinese work in Toronto"	60.00
St. Andrews' W.M.S. Scarboro, "Chair for 'Hugh Waddel Memorial' Hospital, Canora, Sask." ..	80.00
"Surgical Bed for Rolland M. Boswell Hospital, Vegreville, Alta."	80.00
Government Grant for Birtle Indian School ..	3,368.12
Government Grant for "Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School	3,637.01
Government Grant for teacher at Mistawasis	240.00
Keats Island Camp, B.C., "Dr. Caroline Macdonald's work in Japan"	5.30
Glenmohr Camp, Ont., "Dr. Caroline Macdonald's work in Japan"	7.57
Rent for "Cecilia Jeffrey" Indian School, Indian Bay, Man.	1.00
Rent for house in Vegreville, Alta.	15.00
Refund on Student Account	12.96
Refund on Pension Account	25.56
Refund from Vegreville School Home	200.00

PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:

Alberta	888.00
British Columbia	700.00
Manitoba	813.00
Ontario	10,300.00
Quebec	700.00
Saskatchewan	600.00
	$21,818.52

DISBURSEMENTS

South Porcupine Hospital	$ 845.00
McMurray Hospital	296.66
Canora Hospital	1,038.32
Vegreville Hospital	730.00
Chinese in Canada	1,116.22
Indian School, Birtle	944.58
Government Grant, Birtle	2,500.00
Indian School, "Cecilia Jeffrey"	542.61
Government Grant, "Cecilia Jeffrey"	3,637.01
Huntingdon School Home	584.70
New Liskeard School Home	288.33
Saskatoon School Home .	973.15
Prince Albert School Home	384.16
Vegreville School Home ..	490.67
Welcome and Welfare	3,948.16
India, Bhil	500.00
India, Gwalior	500.00
China, South	333.32
Japan	443.19
Formosa	744.96
Publications	1280.29
Organization	488.25
Pensions	233.32
Education of Chinese Girls	48.50
Candidate	2.65
Supplies	309.13
Student	10.00
Miscellaneous	332.62
Administration	581.25
	$24,127.05

FINANCIAL SURVEY

Balance on hand as on June 30th, 1930	$85,696.27	
Receipts	21,818.52	
Disbursements		$24,127.05
Bank Balance		20,698.52
Pension Fund		7,906.21
Legacy Fund		8,771.78
Sustaining Fund		30,549.56
Bonds		11,500.00
Associated Treasurers in China		400.00
Shanghai and Hong Kong Banking Corporation..		250.00
Education of Chinese Candidate		3,241.08
Cash on Hand		70.59
	$107,514.79	$107,514.79

(MRS. R. C.) S. B. DONALD,
Treasurer.

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Our Leaders of Mission Bands number	491
Total possible subscriptions	32,030

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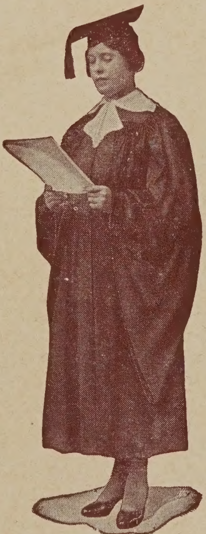

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"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Mark 16:15.

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Editorial

MISS ETHEL C. REID set sail for China on October 30th, to engage in evangelistic work among the women in co-operation with the Church of Christ in China. During her six years' stay in Canada Miss Reid visited the Chinese women and children in Ontario and the Western provinces and latterly was in charge of our work in Montreal.

In 1911, Miss Reid went out to South China as an evangelistic worker. In 1924, she came back to Canada. Her return to China means the opening of a door that was closed to us five years ago and that is opened to us now by the Chinese themselves.

Miss Ethel C. Reid
to South China

The Kwong Tung Synod of the Church of Christ in China is divided into ten Presbyteries and it is in one of these Presbyteries, Miss Reid will work, but which one she will not know until after meeting with the leaders in Canton. Letters received have told of the need of women evangelists. The workers spoke of one Presbytery, for instance, which had eighteen Churches and no women workers. That vast Presbytery, once very difficult of access, is now opened up, has fine roads and bus connection with other centres. One of the leaders of this Church, in Canton, with whom Miss Reid looks forward to working, is Miss S. T. Law, a Chinese lady, formerly Principal of the ''True Light Seminary,'' and now Secretary for Women's Work in Kwong Tung Synod and a personal friend of our Miss Reid, Miss Dickson and Dr. Jessie MacBean.

Miss Reid is one of our tried and tested missionaries and it is with mingled feelings we see her go, for we know how great the loss will be to us and our Chinese work in Canada. At the same time we rejoice in the honor that has come to her in being asked by the Church of Christ in China to return and work in co-operation with them. And we feel, with Miss Reid, that in going back to work in China knowing the Chinese here as she does, she will still be making a contribution to the work among the Chinese in Canada.

Miss Reid returns to her beloved China followed by the prayers and good wishes of the Chinese whom she served here and of the W.M.S. to whom she is a missionary beloved.

''THE contribution which Dr. and Mrs. Gauld have made to Christian life in Formosa is very great. It was a contribution not only to the Formosans but to the missionaries. The message of the Christ and the message of the Cross is the only message that any missionary can take to any people, and such a message Mrs. Gauld brought to Formosa.'' In these words the President, Mrs. Strachan, introduced Mrs. Gauld to the Council Executive as they stood to honor one who has devoted thirty-eight years of her life to service in Formosa.

With an expression of pleasure at being present at the Council Executive and delight that such a body of women are planning and praying for the work overseas Mrs. Gauld told what it meant in her life to know that the friends at home were behind her and praying for her, and made an earnest plea that we remember especially the young missionaries, for ''if anyone needs your prayers it is your missionaries.'' Close on this request for prayer Mrs. Gauld spoke of the need of a teacher for the Girls' School. ''She must be a woman with a heart full of love and one who understands girls and how to teach and love them.'' ''I love the Formosans. We cannot go to the foreign field and feel we are a superior people, we are not. They can do all we can and do it better. We must go out and meet these people as equals.'' And when Mrs. Gauld said this her listeners felt that she had found the key that unlocks the secret of real missionary service. Of her own work she spoke little—merely telling of the boys who had come to her not knowing even *do ré me* and after five years' training could sing perfectly. She spoke too of the hospital work and our twenty Formosan nurses who are doing splendid work, and of the great need of more evangelistic workers to go out among the new Christians and strengthen them in their faith and work.

A story by itself was the farewell to Mrs. Gauld by the Formosans, and her sailing away to the sound of the voices of her beloved people singing of the ''Wonderful Love of Jesus''. What finer closing could mark the ministry of any missionary than this?

MISS LILY MACARTHUR, who was en route to Regina, where she will resume the duties as deaconess at large, which engaged her time last year between the closing and opening of the navigation season, took time to bring a message to the Council Executive. She told with enthusiasm about the new office at the port of Quebec, and the suitable furnishings. But the theme on which she dwelt most was the Overseas Girls' Club in Montreal and its particularly fine staff. These girls are going all over Canada and the United States and spreading that influence and spirit that counts and exerting a real influence on others. Miss Macarthur is convinced that if we could have a chain of Overseas Girls' Clubs it would be a real influence all over Canada.

IT is with feelings of very real regret that we announce the resignation of Miss Jean Graham, our beloved missionary in Manchuria. Miss Graham became a member of our staff in 1926 and has rendered a very great contribution to the work of Christ and His Church in that part of Manchuria to which she was called to serve. Miss Graham was a faithful student, a tireless worker, a thoroughly consecrated woman, a gifted writer, and one of our most powerful missionary speakers. Great as is our sense of loss at her withdrawal it is nothing compared to the loss which the Chinese in that particular field have sustained. We thank God for her work there and her inspiration to us here, and pray His continual blessing on His servant on whatever field He leads her to serve.

AT the distribution of prizes in the Huntingdon Academy, eight of the prize winners were pupils resident in our School Home. The prizes were awarded for standing third in this Academy, and third in the various grades, for public speaking and for French and general proficiency. The prizes ranged from one dollar to ten dollars. We congratulate the boys and girls who were successful and also those who tried but did not win.

IN order that the Indian Children who attended Birtle will not be denied school privileges too long a period, the W.M.S. has arranged for the opening of two little temporary schools, one at Rolling River Reserve, the other at Elphinstone. These will be in charge of two of the members of the staff and will continue until the cold weather sets in and will serve some of the children, within the mile radius, who have been at Birtle School and others in the neighborhood who may not have been in attendance. Miss Buckley, the nurse, is to be on the Rolling River Reserve and plans to undertake Welfare Work among the mothers.

EVERY Mission Band Leader is asked to be sure and indicate in her report exactly how much money was given by her Band for the furnishing of the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home.''

If the leaders neglect to do this our Society will have no way of finding out what the children have given. Even if the sum is small report it. Every little makes the muckle. It is not fair to the little folks not to give them credit for their gifts.

WE announce the appointment of Miss Kathleen Anderson to the staff of ''Scott Institute'', Toronto. Miss Anderson is a daughter of the manse, her father being minister at Beauharnois, Que. Her mother is well known to our readers as the Press Secretary of Quebec Provincial Society.

THE Vegreville Boys' School Home would like so much to have a Victrola. Perhaps some friend in Alberta has one which is not in use. If so, please communicate with our supply secretary, Mrs. Fletcher. If the need can be met in Alberta, the expense of shipping will be less.

WE extend a hearty welcome to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. MacKay, of Formosa and their five children who have just arrived in Toronto on furlough.

THE Tenth Annual Convention of the Eastern Canada Chinese Mission, will be held in Knox Church, Toronto, November 8th, 9th and 10th. The Right Reverend Bishop Ysen, Anglican Bishop of Honan, Dr. Rochester, Editor of the *Presbyterian Record* and Rev. D. A. Smith, of Vancouver, Superintendent of Chinese work, will speak. The prayers of our people are asked for this important gathering.

MRS. MARY MacKENZIE, our missionary at Gonor, Manitoba, asks us to inform our readers that her address has been changed from Box 350 Selkirk to R. R. 4, Winnipeg.

THREE YEARS' TERM OF OFFICE

THE three years' term of office—''Note,'' page 227. See Annual Report.

> ''It is deemed advisable, **when there is no valid reason against it**, that the same officers shall not hold office continuously more than three years. Care should, however, be taken that there be not too many changes in one year.''

Although the above is not part of the Constitution, it appears to be causing some confusion throughout the Society. The Council Executive, therefore, advises that this note be not acted upon until the whole matter is discussed at the Council meeting of 1931.

Well Done Treasurers!

I WISH to send out a very heartfelt ''thank you,'' to all our Treasurers for the splendid way in which they are responding to our repeated request for more regular sending in of monies, and, of course, to the members who by more regular and systematic giving make this possible.

Until this year, we have always had to borrow from our Sustaining Fund from $15,000 to $20,000, by the end of June.

This year, up until now, we have not had to borrow a cent, and I am quite sure that this has been possible not because our people are giving more but because the money is coming in month by month and not being held back until the end of the year.

None of us feel our giving so much, when we give a little each week or month, instead of putting in our gifts for a year or half year at one time.

Now just a word as to how we stand at present. October has been a very heavy month, for we had our five missionaries to send out to India and Japan, as well as all our foreign salaries and expenses for the last quarter of the year. These payments with all our regular expenses have left us with a very small balance and we are waiting anxiously for some of the Thank-offerings to come in.

It is just possible that we may have to borrow a little, but I hope not.

(Mrs. R. C.) S. B. Donald,
Treasurer.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ABOUT NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR GLAD TIDINGS?

BRITISH COLUMBIA delegates at the Executive meeting suggested paying for subscriptions for all the teen age girls. Saskatchewan has a ''*Glad Tidings Day*'', and goes out for subscriptions the day following. Quebec believes in creating interest, and devotes a certain time each month before the meeting opens to point out the many helpful things found in the magazine. Increased subscriptions have resulted.

It has been suggested that Auxiliaries or individual members might subscribe for a copy of *Glad Tidings* for the leader of the C.G.I.T. Group or other girls' organization in the church, and certainly see that the leader of the Mission Band is provided with one. With Christmas coming on, what about sending *Glad Tidings* to a friend or a shut-in? A card lasts for a day, a magazine for a year.

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"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he will send forth labourers into his harvest."

Voices said, "Stay!"
But the Voice said, "COME!"
So I'm off and away
To my transient home,
Be it mountains green,
Or Alaskan snows,
Or under a tropic sky,
Who knows?
Who cares? — if only
It be a place
Untouched as yet
By the Master's grace;
Untaught as yet
Of that Life, That Gift
That spoke God's power
To redeem and lift.
Voices said, "Stay!"
But the Voice said, "GO!"
Could I hoard the wonderful
Truths I know?
O heart, be strong!
O feet, be swift!

—*Catherine Culnan.*

MISS MILDRED SOUTAR

AN impressive service under the auspices of the Hamilton Presbytery was held in Erskine Presbyterian Church, Hamilton, Tuesday evening, September 23rd, when in the presence of many friends, Miss Mildred Soutar was designated and set apart as a missionary

Miss Mildred Soutar
to India

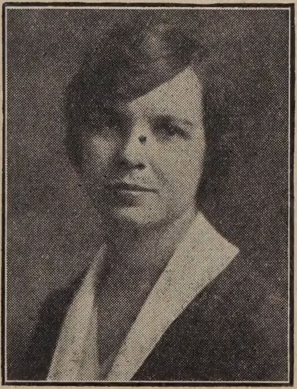
Miss Gladys Timney
to India

nurse for service among the Bhils, where she will be superintendent of the newly-erected ''M.G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home,'' at Amkhut.

Rev. R. J. Wilson opened the meeting with scripture reading and prayer. Rev. David Jack, Moderator of the Presbytery, put the usual questions to the young candidate, after which the venerable Dr. D. G. McRobbie gave the dedicatory prayer. Mrs. D. Strachan, President of the W.M.S. delivered the address to Miss Soutar, and Dr. John Buchanan addressed the congregation. Then followed a series of presentations. Mrs. A. R. McMurrich, Secretary for India, and Mrs. H. C. McKellar, President of Hamilton Presbyterial, presented Miss Soutar with copies of the Bible in English and Hindi, the latter being a gift from the British and Foreign Bible Society. On behalf of the Presbyterial, Mrs. J. A. Locheed presented to Miss Soutar a gold wrist watch suitably inscribed, and the W.M.S. of Erskine Church, through its President, Mrs. Mercer, made a gift of a portable typewriter. Little Misses Lorine Bensie and Kathryn McCullough, on behalf of the Junior Mission Band and Sunday School, made presentations of a fountain pen and a gold piece. A purse of gold from the congregation was presented by Rev. R. J. Wilson. Miss Soutar feelingly thanked the many friends who had so generously remembered her. Dr. McRobbie closed the meeting with prayer.

MISS GLADYS TIMNEY

BEFORE a gathering that filled High Park Presbyterian Church, the Presbytery of Toronto, on the evening of October 1st, dedicated Miss Gladys Timney to missionary work in India under the W.M.S.



Miss Ellen Douglas
to India

Miss Catherine Moodie
to India

of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. Rev. John McNab minister of the Church, was assisted in the devotional service by Rev. R. Stewart and Rev. A. R. Skinner gave the address of the evening. Rev. J. A. Hilts, moderator of Presbytery conducted the designation service, which was impressively solemn.

Preceding the designation ceremony which charged the young recruit ''with the great and blessed trust as a missionary,'' Rev. John McNab, introduced Miss Timney as a devoted Sunday School worker, a leader in young people's work, a graduate of the Bible Training College, and stated that her excellent business training would fit her particularly for the task which she will undertake on the Gwalior field as an evangelist and business administrator. During the past six years Miss Timney has been preparing herself for work in India.

Mrs. Daniel Strachan, President of the W.M.S., announced that Miss Timney was the first woman to volunteer for missionary service following the division in the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. A. R. McMurrich, Secretary for India, presented Miss Timney, on behalf of the W.M.S., with an English Bible, suitably inscribed, a Bible in Hindi, the gift of the British and Foreign Bible Society was presented by Mrs. J. G. Inkster. Rev. Mr. McNab, in the name of the congregation made the presentation of a portable typewriter and set of notebooks. A parting gift, a copy of a New Testament (Weymouth) was also made by Miss Timney's Sunday School class. Among those who bade the young missionary God speed were Rev. G. W. Mackay and Mrs. Mackay, missionaries on furlough from Formosa.

MISS ELLEN DOUGLAS AND MISS CATHERINE MOODIE

GORDON Presbyterian Church, New Westminster, B.C., was filled to capacity on the evening of September 26th, the occasion being the Designation Service, dedicating to their work as missionaries in India, Miss Ellen Douglas, and Miss Catherine Moodie.

The service was conducted by the Westminster Presbytery. Rev. J. M. McGillivray, of Central Church, Vancouver, moderator of the Presbytery, presided and opened proceedings by reading ''The Commission.'' Rev. Thos. Wilson conducted the devotional exercises and delivered the address to the missionaries. Rev. Duncan Campbell, D.D., asked the customary questions and Rev. R. G. McBeth, D.D., recited the history of the young ladies from the time of their decision to become missionaries after which they were solemnly dedicated to missionary service in India, by Rev. J. M. McGillivray. On behalf of the Women's Missionary Society, Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, of Vancouver, brought greetings and also presented each of the new missionaries with Bibles in English and in the language in which they will teach. The choir rendered appropriate music and altogether it was an impressive service and the first of the kind held in Burnaby, this being the first occasion on which missionaries have gone forth from a local church.

Both Miss Douglas and Miss Moodie were teachers in Burnaby schools before going to Toronto to train for the work in the foreign field, and while no gifts were presented at their designation service other than the Bibles they received ''everything they could possibly need for their work.''

These four young missionaries sailed for India, October 10th, on the *Duchess of York,* and are the largest party that has gone out to one field since 1925.

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—*Jean Kenyon Mackenzie.*

"With You All The Days"

When we walk amid the shadows, and the skies are overcast,
When we linger half bewildered, twixt the future and the past,
We shall always find the Master at the parting of the ways,
We shall hear His strong voice saying, ''I am with you all the days.''

Yesterday—to-day—forever, Jesus Christ is present still,
Guiding, keeping those who love Him, shaping all things to His will;
So we follow where He leads, let Him choose our times and ways,
And His promise never fails us—''I am with you all the days.''

—Henry Burton, in *The Living Message.*

NOTE.—In the text, ''Lo, I am with you always,'' the word ''always'' literally translated from the Greek means ''all the days,'' hence this poem.

Camps

The Camp of the Burning Bush

Rev. Morris Zeidman

AS we review the work of our Fresh Air Home our hearts are full of thanksgiving to God for the amount of work He permitted us to do during the six weeks beginning July 5th, and ending August 12th. There were three groups, comprising 210 souls, and in addition to these we had 25 who only came for a few days, which makes a total of 235.

Physical blessings that no tongue can recite, came to many underfed and anæmic children, and poor sickly mothers, and all went back to the city refreshed and strengthened to take up their heavy duties and responsibilities.

Children at the "Burning Bush" Camp, Grimsby Beach.

Returned Soldiers' Children, Grimsby Beach.

Material blessings came to us, for God not only supplied all our needs but raised up many friends both in the city and at Grimsby Beach, who became greatly interested in the work that our Church is doing among the poor and promised not only to uphold us with their prayers; but their practical interest manifested itself by the many gifts. One gentleman at Grimsby Beach contributed $5.00. Another, who heard our children sing hymns donated $5.00. A lady interested in the work gave $1.00. The following were also sent to us by the people of Grimsby Beach: 15 large baskets of peaches; 25 large baskets of apples; 3 large baskets of potatoes; 4 large baskets of cucumbers; 6 large baskets of tomatoes; 11 large jars of preserved fruit and tomatoes; 11 cabbages; 12 layer cakes; 2 gallons of ice cream; 2 watermelons. One lady who owns a cottage at the Beach, entertained 15 of our mothers at afternoon tea. All these people have not only become friends of our work but admirers of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

Spiritual blessings can only be reported to a certain extent. We have, however, some tangible results which we are very happy to report. Our daily evening ''sing-song'' and devotional exercises were the happiest and most important features at camp, to which not only our own mothers and children looked eagerly forward; but also many Christian people at Grimsby Beach. The first two groups which were composed mainly of Jewish mothers and children, were exceptionally good singers. The Gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of David and the Son of God was preached to them, and they heartily joined in the singing of hymns and psalms from the Presbyterian Book of Praise, copies of which were presented to us by the Women's Missionary Society, who also provided New Testaments and continued the usual annual grant to our camp.

The third group consisted of mothers and children of returned soldiers. Most of these were strangers to us, and the first evening were very shy—they did not take much part in the singing of the hymns, but were simply interested listeners in the devotional exercises. The next night we gave them hymn books and they became interested in the singing of the hymns. The third night everybody in the group took part in the singing, and the women began to feel themselves at home, and to tell us, ''I used to sing in the choir.'' Another said ''I used to teach Sunday School in the old country.'' By the time the camp was over, the women decided that they wanted to come back to the Presbyterian Church in which they were brought up, and on Sabbath evening August 10th, we had a most memorable service when we baptized eleven children. Many friends at the Beach who were interested in our work were present and our Home was packed to capacity. For all these and many other blessings we thank God from whom all blessings flow.

Keats Island Camp, B.C.

MRS. J. F. MACLEAN, ITINERATING DEACONESS FOR B.C.

I ATTENDED our Young People's Camp on Keats Island, where I represented our W.M.S., and gave talks on our Home Mission work, making special appeal to them to consider giving their lives to some definite form of Christian service. We had Bible lectures morning and evening, given by Rev. W. Ellis of the Vancouver Bible Training school, and this was a real privilege to me for since travelling in the interior I have few opportunities for such help. The campfire singing and vesper services were beautiful and impressive. Rev. J. Cunningham, a former Chinese missionary, and his wife, were splendid camp leaders.

Little Folks and Older Folks

A SYNOPSIS, BY MISS MARGARET GRIGOR

I RECEIVED 44 names from Mrs. McInnes, and made 54 visits. I have used the literature provided and have also given out copies of the *Presbyterian Record* to many of these newcomers, and though they may not link up with our Church right away, in time the seed will bear fruit. The other day I was reading the *Record* in the street car when a workman sitting beside me asked if I'd take a subscription for it, which I did. He had always enjoyed that paper but had got out of touch with it and with our Church for several years. I also gave him the *Glad Tidings* and other Presbyterian literature.

Livingstone.—The work among the children is most encouraging. We continued all of our meetings during July and August, and the attendance and spirit have been splendid. Our average attendance has been 35. At our Sunday School picnic at Kitsilano Beach we had 48 children, 7 teachers and officers, and 20 parents and friends, and all thoroughly enjoyed the outing. Mrs. Ledingham, our Provincial President, who has shown such an interest in Livingstone, and who has helped me in every way possible, and whom the children all love, was with us to help make the day a success.

We still have our service Sunday afternoon, conducted by the student of Main Street. Quite a number of the children attend, they help in the choir, take up the offering, etc. Last Sunday was our highest attendance. Thirty came out, and of these twenty were children and young people. I intend to start regular visiting shortly and hope, with God's help, to arouse the older people, so that they may take an interest in the services and in the work that their children are doing.

Our Mission Band, too, has met every week and carried on regular study and work. I find it hard to get helpers, and it is difficult to carry on the work meeting, especially when there are thirty or more children present. I am planning to divide my Mission Band into a Boys' Band and a Girls' Band. The boys have their Order of the Burning Bush, but they wish to come to Mission Band as well.

Our Girls' Guild has also kept up its interest. In July they gave their pageant, ''Heralds of the King'' and did very well. It was the first time they had ever taken part. We had a fair attendance. Our offering was $3.35. Last Thursday our Provincial Girls' Work Secretary spoke to the girls on the C.G.I.T. work. During August we called a halt in definite study, some of our time was spent out doors and they also took up handcraft, the making of bead necklaces, flowers and fancy vases, but we plan to take up the new study book for our girls, and also I hope to have a Bible study course for them.

From July 21st to 31st, we tried out a Daily Vacation School, meeting in the mornings from 9.30 to 12 o'clock. The children who did attend were most enthusiastic about it and wished me to continue longer. Our average attendance was only 12, however, I felt it was worth while continuing with them and probably next year more will come. We had our devotional period, then memory work, Bible drill, Bible stories, missionary games and handcraft, and it all was enjoyed. Mrs. Ledingham came out to our closing meeting and presented them with books for attendance and also for memory work, three of them being able to say it perfectly. These children are good workers, too. We had several ''clean up'' and ''wood hauling'' bees. None of our members are rich, so we thought we'd try and save some money for our church that way, and we all had a good time.

More interest is being shown in our Auxiliary and as time goes on I hope our women will see that we as a Church must preach the gospel to every creature, because it is our Lord's command, and that if we cannot go ourselves it is our privilege and responsibility to give that others may. An appeal from our new Chinese Church came in and I was greatly encouraged when several responded. In July, Mrs. Thomson, Presbyterial President, gave our women a fine address on the ''Progress of our W.M.S. Work, Both at Home and Overseas.'' At our August meeting, Mrs Ledingham gave an inspiring account of the Enlarged Council Executive Meeting and the General Assembly.

Main Street.—At our July meeting we had a very helpful address from the President of St. Paul's W.M.S., on the work in China, and in August, Mrs. Thomson, Presbyterial President, gave the address, especially congratulating them on forming the Associate Society and showing how they, even though so few, had a part in the great work of our Society.

August 18th, I conducted the service in St. Andrew's, North Vancouver, there being an attendance of about fifty.

I would again ask that you all continue in prayer for me and our work here in Vancouver.

Vegreville Activities

MRS. ADAM ROBERTSON

OUR pupils did well this term, the most of them passing in all their subjects and only one or two failed in more than one.

The children kept the garden weeded and were a great help in many ways. We have wonderful carrots and beets and our potatoes are the finest I have seen anywhere. The crops to the south and east of Vegreville have been hailed down completely. They had hail as large as hens' eggs and the north windows in the farm houses were all broken. There seems to be always something to take a crop in this western country. Last year drought, the year before frost and now, hail. The hail we had here was no larger than marbles, yet it did considerable damage to the gardens.

I have asked for a victrola for the Boys' Home. The little old one they have here has the spring broken and the reproducer too. It wasn't much to begin with although a great deal of pleasure has been taken out of it. I thought some one might have an old gramaphone they would like to give to the Home as so many people are getting in the combination victrola and radio.

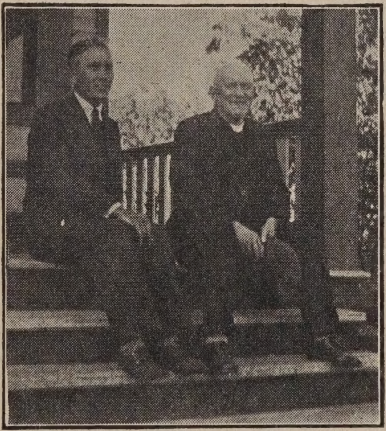
Last Friday was School Fair, and after it was over, we had the finest lot of vegetables sent in to us as a gift, from many farmers. We have such a big crowd in this year that we will need a large quantity of vegetables this winter, and are truly thankful for our lovely root cellar, which will keep them so well.

High School Cadets, pupils of Presbyterian Boys' School Home, Vegreville, Alta., about to entrain for camp at Calgary, Dominion Day, 1930.

We have a nice lot of pupils in this year. There are 24 boys and 24 girls, which is a few over Miss McKee's capacity in the dormitories, but as some of them are small, and sisters, she has doubled up, and put two in a bed, for she hated to turn them away, for they lived far from schools.

Miss Bell, our new teacher, is here and is beloved already by the mission pupils. She is a staunch Presbyterian and will fall into the work of the mission whole-heartedly. She is teaching the girls' Bible class, and Martha will teach the intermediate girls' and boys' class in the Sunday School. Mr. Robertson has the boys' Bible class. We resumed our Mission Band last Sunday and elected new officers. This year the senior boys are taking charge. Edward Tomashewsky who is beginning his tenth year in the Home, is President. Nicholar Pillott is Vice-President. Nicholar Ambrossi is Treasurer, and Frank Appleby, Secretary. They are all High School boys. As a rule we think of little children when we speak of Mission Band, but here in the Homes, all the pupils take part and are intensely interested.

There is a young man here in town, John Ross Robertson, whose father, Dr. Robertson, is a cousin of the late editor of the *Toronto Telegram.* He is taking a kindly interest in our boys and has organized a club among the senior boys, along literary lines, and intends to have them read about and discuss modern inventions, and the topics of the day, so that they may understand things better. Then among the juniors he is starting a Scout club, giving them hikes, group names, etc. Both big and little are greatly interested and much excited over it. It is very kind of him to take such a deep interest in the boys. He was brought up by his grandmother, who is a member of Dr. McQueen's church, and his youth was spent among the organizations of First Church. He is with the C.P.R., and may not be here for long, however, while he is, he wants to help all he can. I have given him the key of the Home so to speak, and try to make him feel it is a Home for him too, for he is batching it in the little house owned by the C.P.R. and getting his own meals. He is a very splendid young man, and good company for the boys. I heard him giving them good advice the other evening about keeping out of the pool rooms, and not hanging around the street corners. He goes swimming with them, plays basket ball and football with them, and I feel all will be well if Ross is there.



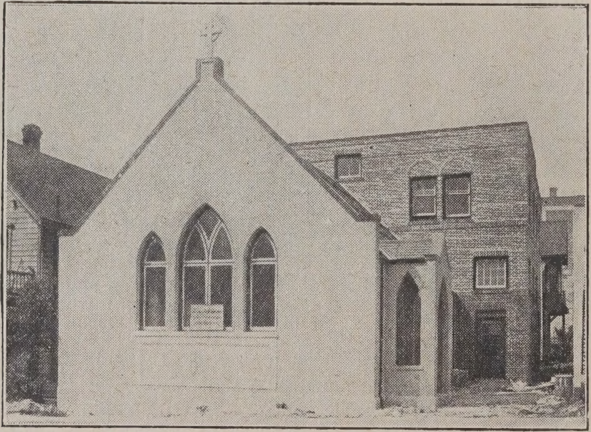
Rev. A. Robertson and Mr. Stephen Darda (Roumanian) who is entering into the mission work this autumn.

I had a letter to-day from a man in Calgary asking if I had room for his little son. He is a Presbyterian and his wife died while on the ocean, being buried at sea. The little fellow is eleven years, and he does not want him to be left with strangers in the city to run the streets. He heard of our Homes and would like to send his boy up, until he gets more settled and decides what he is going to do. It was such a pathetic letter, but isn't it nice we have the Home to help little children. We have some very fine pupils in this year, and some dear little children.

Presbyterians Dedicate New Chinese Church in Vancouver

THE dedication of the new Presbyterian Chinese Church, 261 Keefer Street, Vancouver, took place September 2nd, with four hundred Chinese and Canadian friends present. The service of dedication was conducted by Rev. J. M. McGillivray, moderator of Westminster Presbytery. Rev. Dr. MacBeth preached the sermon, and Rev. Dr. Duncan Campbell offered the dedicatory prayer. The circumstances attending the erection of the building were set forth in short addresses by the pastor, Rev. Yeung Kai Hong, and the superintendent, Rev. David A. Smith. A Chinese hymn by the primary tots, and a solo and chorus, rendered by Mrs. Mary Cuthbert and the C.G.I.T. girls were much enjoyed.

The Women's Missionary Society, which has taken an active part in furnishing the dormitories, was represented by Mrs. Geo. Ledingham, Provincial President, and Mrs. R. M. Thompson, Presbyterial President.



Chinese Presbyterian Church, Vancouver

A large number of congratulatory letters and telegrams were received from all parts of Canada. Rev. Leung Moi Fong, of the Chinese Presbyterian Church in Victoria, gave the closing words of inspiration and exhortation to the Chinese members. Mr. C. A. Colman one of the veteran Chinese missionaries of the Presbyterian Church, spoke both in English and Chinese of the early days of the mission.

Work in the new church is in full swing. The kindergarten opened with an attendance of thirty-seven. The Mission Band, C.G.I.T., and Trail Rangers have already begun the season's work, and the lady workers are hoping to organize a W.M.S. in the near future. Miss Sibyl Crawford, and Mrs. Louie, a new worker from Victoria, are in charge of the W.M.S.

Inter-Board Committee Women's Missionary Societies of Canada

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

January-September, 1930

RECEIPTS:		
Balance on hand	$ 141.59	
Collection, public meeting	86.26	
Day of prayer programmes	313.83	
Day of prayer offerings	3,442.76	
Cheque received for the Canadian Bible Society	10.00	
		$3,994.44
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Public meeting expenses, travel, etc.	104.08	
51,100 Day of Prayer programmes	344.03	
Rebate on programmes	37.02	
Stenography	34.45	
General expenses, including postage, revenue stamps, stationery, cash book	46.97	
Mission to Lepers	200.00	
Canadian School of Missions	300.00	
Canadian Bible Society	200.00	
American Christian Literature Society for Moslems	200.00	
Christian Literature Society, Japan	300.00	
Christian Literature Society, Korea	200.00	
Kingdom of God campaign, Japan	700.00	
Christian literature, women and children, Women's Federated Foreign Mission Boards	250.00	
Christian literature, India	250.00	
Christian literature, Africa	300.00	
		3,466.55
Balance on hand		$ 527.89

Balance being held to pay for programmes of Day of Prayer, February 20th, 1931, which amount will be repaid to the various Boards ordering them.

Mrs. D. B. Donaldson,
Convener
7 McMaster Ave., Toronto

Bessie MacMurchy
Treasurer
122 South Drive, Toronto.

Committee on Christian Literature for Women and Children in Mission Fields

Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America

Mrs. Frank Gaylord Cook, Treasurer

''Thank you very much indeed for the check for $250.00. I find that the work of the Christian Literature Committee is very appealing because of the character of help which is being given to the women and children in mission fields. I am so glad that the Canadian women are interested and are showing their interest by such generous support.''

The Canadian School of Missions, Toronto

Dr. J. Lovell Murray

''Your letter accompanied by the Inter-Board Committee's cheque for $300.00 was received this morning. In acknowledging this generous gift I wish to extend the very sincere thanks of the Council of the School.

''We find in the contributions which come to us from time to time from the Inter-Board Committee not only financial assistance, but the support that comes from realizing the confidence which the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada have in the work of the School.''

The Canadian Bible Society

Rev. J. B. M. Armour, General Secretary

''The offering of $200.00 from the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada from the general offering on the World's Day of Prayer gives us very great pleasure to receive. We realize behind this gift there is the consecration of a great proportion of the women of Canada for the missionary cause which our Society exists to help, and which in turn gives us the majority of our translators.

''We on our part cordially wish all good success to the work of the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada and realize that in this as in similar women's organizations we have true allies and friends.''

The Mission to Lepers

International and Interdenominational

Rev. H. N. Konkle, Secretary for Canada

''We are in receipt of your kind letter with enclosure cheque, $200, for our leper work, as a contribution from the Canadian Women's Day of Prayer. Please accept our grateful thanks and would you convey to these friends our sincere appreciation of this gift, which will bring much joy to the afflicted lepers, for whom Jesus died. This is surely a present reward.''

The American Christian Literature Society for Moslems, Inc.

Mrs. E. E. Olcott, Treasurer, New York

''We greatly appreciate your generous gift and your partnership in the work of giving the Gospel of Christ to Mohammedans through books and leaflets. This work is increasingly important and fruitful.

''We have now co-operating committees of missionaries to Moslems in Egypt, Syria, Turkey, Persia, Mesopotamia, India, Malaysia, and China.

Appropriations for printing are made on recommendation of these interdenominational committees on the field.

''Will you pray that these workers may be given wisdom and power and that each piece of literature distributed may be good seed sown that will bear rich and abiding fruit?

''Your check for $200 was a most delightful surprise and will be a great help at this time. Many, many thanks!''

The Christian Literature Society of Korea

GERALD BONWICK, SECRETARY

''I am desired by our Executive Committee to express their very cordial thanks for the grant of $200 that has accompanied your letter of June 3rd, as a contribution from the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies of Canada in aid of the Publishing Fund of this Society.

''It happens that at the present time we are passing through the press several books especially suited to the needs of women and children and the gift you send is therefore most welcome. These include The Life of Helen Keller, Hurlburt's Outline Studies in the Old Testament and Outline Studies in the New Testament—both of these for the Women's Classes that are held regularly in the winter—The Home at Bethany by Dr. Culross, also for children three large picture books with reading matter containing 12 full-sized pictures each The Story of Joseph, The Childhood of Moses, and The Christmas Story.''

International Missionary Council, London, England

W. PATON, SECRETARY

''Very many thanks for your letter and the two cheques enclosed. I am sending you a formal receipt from this office for the Africa contribution of $300 and will get one sent from India for the Indian one of $250 as the Fund's treasurer is in India.

''May I ask you to convey to the Inter-Board Committee my very warmest thanks and those of the committees with which I am associated for these two generous gifts. Those of us who feel that few things are as important as Christian literature have every reason to know that the women in Canada see this point a great deal more clearly than most people do. I will convey to Miss Wrong your very kind reference to her.''

The National Christian Council of Japan

Campaign Fund of The Kingdom of God Campaign

DR. WILLIAM AXLING, HONORARY SECRETARY

''I am in receipt of your letter enclosing $700.00 from the Inter-Board Committee of the Women's Missionary Societies in Canada.

''I wish it were possible for me to make you and all who have given, to understand at what an opportune time this very generous contribution comes. The funds at the command of the Central Committee of the Campaign were exhausted more than a month ago and we have been living a 'from hand to mouth' existence ever since, begging, borrowing and getting advances from interested friends. We felt that we could not let the Campaign suffer because of this lack of funds and so the original programme has been carried out, but with the result that we find ourselves in debt. Your contribution will be a tremendous lift to us as we go on and plan for the months that are ahead.''

A Day in the Huntingdon School Home

MRS. A. C. GOULDTHORPE

WE have 24 pupils in residence at the present time, of these, 17 are boys, 7 are girls. There were 5 other applications, which we were unable to accept on account of lack of accommodation.

With your permission I shall now take you through a day in our Home. The rising bell rings at 6.45 a.m. All are dressed and down to breakfast at 7.30. When breakfast and worship are over, all the pupils disperse to their allotted tasks. Two girls remove the dishes and take entire charge of the dining-room, and two more girls stack the dishes. Miss Smellie, who does the cooking, washes the dishes, assisted by two more girls who dry them and send them back to the dining-room where they are used by the two dining-rooom girls to re-set the tables.

Coming into the study and living-room, one boy will be using the vacuum cleaner, whilst a boy and girl are busy dusting and tidying the study and sitting-room.

As you come up the stair, you will see one girl dusting the stairs and watering the plants. Continuing to the second floor you will see one little girl scouring the bath-tub and basins. On the third floor the small boys will be making their beds and dusting the oilcloth.

The older boys and girls finish their tasks before they make their beds, after which they prepare for school. All are ready for school at 8.30, leaving behind them a clean and tidy Home.

Dinner is at 12.15. The same procedure of table clearing is carried out, then back they go to school. The children gather again for supper, which is at 5.30 p.m., after which we have Bible study, reading, prayer and memorizing of selected verses, etc. We are just now studying the Old Testament. The boys now take part in helping with the dishes, drying them and sending them into the dining-room for use in setting the tables for the next day's breakfast.

From 6.30 to 7.30 we have our social hour, when we have talks, singing and reading until the study bell rings. I supervise the pupils during study period.

At 8.30 p.m. all the children under twelve years are sent up to bed. The older children study until 10 p.m., and then they go too. ''Lights Out'' is at 10.20 p.m. ''Lights Out'' also means ''Tongues Quiet.''

On Saturday there is special work, and also special play.

Sunday sees us all in the front seats in Church and Sunday School. The children are all very musical and we have quite a large choir of our own. One of our young men from Fort Coulonge leads the choir, and occasionally our children practically fill the choir loft on Sunday evening. Our piano is greatly appreciated in connection with this work.

Prayer

OUR Father, whenever we kneel in prayer, the wonder of Thy love enthralls us. We are gripped by the memory of Calvary; we marvel at the mercy that forgives sin; we are filled with awe at the thought of Thy goodness, which has followed us all the days of our lives. But especially do we pray at this time, for parents all over the land, that they may more and more realize the great responsibility that rests upon them, in the teaching and example they give to their children. Our Loving Father, make us more holy, may we as parents, walk more closely with God, that our children may absorb the influence that flows from a godly life. May we O God, see that family worship forms a part of the family life, so helping our young people to form the habit of waiting upon God for guidance and protection, also returning thanks for His marvelous goodness to us. May Thy Holy Word indeed be a light to our feet and a lamp unto our path, and may we evermore search out, and searching, find the treasures to be found therein. May we do our part to make Thy Word so alluring that our young people will be induced to practice the daily reading of it. Loving Father, especially endow with all needed grace, wisdom and patience, those who have the religious training of the young, and grant us an answer, in the name of our loving Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Presbyterian Persistence

AS RELATED BY A PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT

THE meetings began the night before the Presbyterial was to open, with a rally of the young people. It was one of the best I have ever seen, large delegations motored in from all the country points within reach. One of the student missionaries presided, Mrs. Coulter and Miss Pelton were the speakers, and both did exceedingly well.

Next day the spirit of all the sessions was unusually fine and the attendance good when one considers the condition of the roads following a terrific cloud burst which broke over the country shortly after the Y. P. Rally of the previous evening. As the day wore on more came in and by supper time there were not many vacant places.

A week later the meetings began in the north. Prince Albert was the first point. The attendance was small, Prince Albert is too far from the actual centre of the district.

The meeting at Battleford was well attended by the local women. A gentle rain began to fall about 4 a.m., on the morning of the gathering and continued with a quiet Presbyterian persistence all day long, and all the following night. It was just what the crops needed but it made the roads impossible so far as motors were concerned, and the outside points 'phoned their regrets. However, the women who were there were so interested that one felt it was well worth while.

Rosetown was the next point. This time the weather was perfect and four outside places sent good delegations in addition to those who came from Saskatoon. The Coleville people drove eight miles each way, and the others came forty and sixty miles. Four car loads came from Dinsmore where they have an Associate Society. The women all took part splendidly, and it was a fine meeting in every way. After it was over Mrs. Brown, two Saskatoon ladies and myself motored forty miles across to Biggar in order to get a train at midnight which brought us back to Saskatoon at 2 a.m.

For me it was a most interesting experience. The women are so interested and are keeping on with so little to encourage or to make their way easy. They have the real heart interest that makes it possible to overcome the difficulties and keep right on.

Books for the Christmas Season

By Lereine Ballantyne

MANY enquiries have been received for various types of books for Christmas, suitable for Sabbath School teachers to give their pupils, for Mission Band leaders, and members generally who seek something interesting in gift books of all types. Based on the trend of these enquiries, we have endeavored to list a few outstanding specials to suit those who do not want expensive editions, and we are prepared to fill orders while they last. Many with boys' classes and Mission Bands request books of adventure, and as far as possible these are missionary, but where it is impossible to get just what is wanted on mission fields, we have tried to choose books on our own country. New Bible stories in large type and interesting style have been added to the juvenile list, and we urge anyone desiring the complete list to write for it, if this page does not contain what is required.

For juvenile reading we still have PETER BINGO, that charming little story, white board cover, at 25c. each.

LITTLE LORD JESUS, another missionary story, 25c. each.

LITTLE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE come in board cover, nicely illustrated, in six titles, The story of Joseph, The Prophets, David, Daniel, Jesus and St. Paul, each 20c.

OTHER BOYS AND GIRLS, is a book of missionary stories, completely filled with quaint illustrations, and nicely bound, each 45c. The size is 7 x 8½ inches.

THE TUCK ME UP BOOKS, and THE UNEXPECTED KING are two books of Bible stories, told in a fascinating way. These are large, thick books with plenty of reading for the bedtime story. Price each 75c.

THE CHILD CHRIST is a book 7 x 10 inches with a white board cover, colored illustrations and large type, price 25c.

Books for Girls and Boys

ROYTON MANOR is still in stock, and was reviewed last year, price per copy 85c. It is simply a nice book of fiction.

HIGH FENCES, by Grace Richmond, is also a nice book for girls at Christmas time, price $1.00.

RED BLOSSOMS is the great love story of a girl missionary, prettily told, price per copy $1.25.

ROSE YUAN OF MING-O, by Margaret Baldwin, gives much in Chinese life that is interesting, and this year our girls are studying China. $1.25.

BY DOG AND CANOE, LEFT ON THE LABRADOR, and THE WAY TO BURNING MOUNTAIN are three titles of Dillon Wallace books which are still available for boys' reading, each 75c. These books were $2.00, but are reduced for clearance.

THE NANCY AND OTHER EIGHTEEN TWELVERS, by C. H. J. Snider, is the story of Canadian lake activities in stirring tales of the war of 1812; regularly $2.00 for 75c.

THE GLORIOUS SHANNON, by the same author, was $4.00 and is now $1.00 while it lasts. This is another book on ships.

TOTEMS, TIGERS AND TORCHES, by R. W. Howard, is a real missionary adventure book for boys. Just the thing for the lad who likes stirring reading. Price each 75c.

THE HAPPY ISLANDS for older boys and men is a book of canoe trips in the Georgian Bay, beautifully written, each 75c. while they last.

THE LAUGHING BUDDHA, by James Livingstone Stewart, is a thrilling story of China. This book was $2.00, and we are now selling it for $1.00. Everyone should have a copy.

GOLDEN TREASURY OF FAMOUS BOOKS, by Marjory Willison, is an excellent story of famous books, and is a guide to reading which many young people would find useful. Price each, $2.00.

PROGRAMMES AND DIALOGUES are now available for Christmas entertainments, and a printed list will be sent on request.

We also have a list of Canadian books of various kinds that is of interest.

CAROLS, and PRIMARY AND BEGINNERS SONGS AND SERVICES are two appropriate song books for little people in Primary classes or Mission Bands, price 35c. for each book of songs.

Order any of the above, through your Literature Secretary, or write for complete lists to Mrs. L. Ballantyne, Presbyterian W.M.S. Offices, Room 700, 372 Bay St., Toronto.

OUR LETTER BOX

Sad Days and Glad Days in our Chinese Mission in Victoria

"I HAVE a piece of sad news. Just about four weeks ago, Rachael, Mr. Leung's second daughter, took pneumonia. She was removed to the Jubilee Hospital, and given every care, but last week an X-ray examination showed that she had what is commonly known as galloping consumption, and, on September 21st, she passed away. We are all very sad over the loss of Rachael. She had just passed into third year at High School, was a church member, a well loved pupil in my Sunday School class, and interested in all the activities of the mission. We looked for leadership in Rachael. At home, she had taken Lily's place and was such a help to her brothers and sisters.

Kindergarten opened on September 2nd, with an enrollment of thirty-six, so the vacancies caused by eleven going on to public school have all been filled. Miss Chan and I are busy every moment of the morning keeping them occupied. I got a lot of little books at the teachers' Summer School, held here in July and August, which are intended to increase the vocabulary of new Canadians by the picture method. So we have a drill every day learning the names of all the objects pictured, and the children respond so well. The boys are in the majority this year, and in collecting the children in the morning, I go along with six little boys for four blocks before being joined by one little girl.

The Mission Band had its first meeting since the holidays, on September 6th, with all the old faces back again. We are still studying "Love's Candles," which will keep us busy until the end of the year.

The C.G.I.T. reorganizes again this week and I think we shall have two or perhaps three new members. In the music department there are nineteen pupils taking lessons. Two are beginners since the first of the month, taking the place of Mrs. Louie and Rose. All are members of the Sunday School.

—Miss Gertrude Scott.

Rally Day Service at Our Vegreville School Homes

"WE followed the order of service sent to us and for the address, three of our pupils read extracts from 'Couriers of the King,' about Dr. Buchanan, Dr. Goforth and Miss Lucy Baker. The senior girls sang 'Sow the Seed Beside All Waters,' as a quartette, and four of the senior boys sang 'From Ocean Unto Ocean.' After repeating the 23rd Psalm, we sang 'The Lord's Prayer'. We sing it every Sunday at the close of our devotional exercises before the sermon. Martha, one of our senior girls made a beautiful prayer, remembering our Sunday School workers, scholars and our missionaries. We all felt that it was a lovely service."

—*Mrs. A. Robertson.*

Chinese Enjoy Church Vacation School in Vancouver

THE kindergarten closing was a decided success. Nine of the twelve graduates will be commencing school in September. The other three commenced last February. Of this number there are five or six at least who have "grown up" in the kindergarten and Sunday School, in other words they have spent two to three years with us. The other day I was making a list of the hymns, songs and verses, (scriptural and others) they have memorized and it surprised me to count up a total of forty hymns in Chinese and English stored up in their memories. Outside of all that, they have learned many games and motion songs and models of handwork.

It made me feel a little sad to see these children leave the kindergarten, I have become so much attached to them, and yet they do not leave altogether. They will still come to Sunday School and will still continue in the work of the Mission Band.

We had a very enjoyable two weeks' Church Vacation School with an average attendance of thirty children ranging in age from 3 to 15 years. We aimed to give most of the time to Bible study and memory work and the learning of new hymns. The school was divided into five classes, beginners, junior girls, junior boys, intermediate boys and intermediate girls. The Presbyterial supplied the school with the necessary working material such as books, attendance buttons, etc. Mrs. Thomson, the President, took charge of the intermediate girls class. Mr. Smith had the intermediate boys and taught them woodwork. Several volunteer helpers from other churches rendered valuable assistance. Miss Crawford had the junior boys and I the beginners.

The school was held every morning from 9.30 to 11.30, opening with a devotional period of prayer and stories from the Bible, which portrayed child life, Samuel, Moses, Jesus, etc. The leaders and teachers took turns supervising this period in which new hymns were taught also. Following the devotions was a game period, then class study followed by handwork, sometimes the handwork was in keeping with the Bible lesson, such as making text pictures, and writing out portions of scripture for memory work. The beginners made booklets of Sunday School lesson cards. The closing was a period of hymns and prayer. On the two Fridays the children were taken to the beach for an outing. When the two weeks were over many of the children were sorry we were not continuing it for a longer period. I am sure both teachers and pupils enjoyed it.

—*Miss Esther Fong Dickman.*

Kept Busy!

A STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES OF MISS LAMONT, FIELD SECRETARY, JANUARY–JUNE 1930

MOST of the first three months was spent in Presbyterials of Toronto and Hamilton where emphasis was laid on work among our young women. Annual meetings of Ottawa and Hamilton Presbyterials were also addressed. Then followed tours of Paris, Stratford, and Huron Presbyterials with two Thank-offering meetings in Orangeville. The end of May I went to the north country for Presbyterial meetings in North Bay and Temiskaming, visiting Cochrane also. Then back to Algoma meeting our branches at Sudbury and Sault Ste. Marie. A week's sectional meetings in Sarnia Presbyterial and a day at our Girls' Camp at Glenmohr brought to a close the season's work.

In all, 116 meetings were addressed. These included 41 Auxiliaries, 20 Y.W.A.'s, 4 Girls' Groups, 4 Mission Bands, 9 Executives, 13 Sunday Services, 13 Presbyterial or Sectional meetings, 12 miscellaneous groups.

Teaching the Bhil Women to Make Their Own Clothes

Jobat, Central India.

"WHEN I look around and see those lads and girls of 'the yesterday', to-day about us as parents engaged in every good work, what joy is ours. Some of the 'then' wee girls are to-day in my daily Bible class and what lovely times we do have! they claim that I spend not only from 1.30 to 4.30 with them but most of the hours after they leave and before they arrive. I must admit that I find myself very happily engaged in trying to help them increase their comforts. I don't believe it will be an untruthful remark if I say that never up till now has any one of these Bhil women ever possessed a real warm jacket. How eagerly they have sewed and it has been my pleasure to see that each has been lined, and is a good fit. The men manage to find some warm coat, but thin sari and thin cloth usually serves for the women. Three wee coats and as many wee knickers all lined are finished so when October and November bring their cool breezes they will be ready and perhaps shall be the means of preventing a few colds and fevers. Some are so happy to be introduced to plain styles that require less cloth and yet provide a covering for the wee folk. Many a time in church I sit suffering from the cold simply because I feel ashamed to be warmly clad when these poor souls, with bare feet, not even stockings let alone undergarments, sit on the cold cement floor. We do spread thin rugs, but often they are not large enough, so, with doors closed from drafts, we carry on. Oh! how pleased they are just to feel these jackets. It took a lot of care to unrip these old fashioned garments, which would have really only served for two people and now over a dozen are ready with others in the making.

Last year we studied from the Old Testament, this year we are taking up the New Testament teachings.

Mr. McDonald and I both enjoy early rising, so are up and dressed by 5.30 a.m., Mr. McDonald goes to his class and I prepare for mine.

We use buffalo milk, and from the lovely rich cream, white as snow, butter is made daily. I attend to this myself while the day is fresh, the last thing every night is to see to the boiling and properly straining fresh drinking water, for we never can drink unboiled water in India. Of course too home-made bread has always to be made to supply the need.''

—Mrs. D. E. McDonald.

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Suggestions for Bible Readings on the Acts of the Apostles

THEME.—Ye shall receive power. . . .ye shall be witnesses. Acts 1:8

5. Power Operating Through Witnesses unto the Uttermost Part of the Earth.—Acts Chapters 8-28

1. The Christian Church established in Asia Minor. Chap. 13 and 14. Paul and Barnabas preach first to Jews who reject the message of Justification by Faith. Then they turn to the Gentiles (13:44-48). The question of qualification for church membership arises with the decision that faith in Jesus Christ is the only requisite (15:11; 16:31.)
2. The Christian Church established in Europe from Philippi to Corinth. (Chap. 16 and 17).
3. The gospel preached in Rome, ''the strategic center of the world'', by Paul, in bonds, (28:16-31). Compare Phil. 1:12-14; 19-20.
4. By his epistles Paul's testimony extends to many lands.
5. Secret of Paul's power. Phil. 4:13.
6. Place of women in the church. In Philippi (16:11-15) in Corinth. (8:1-3; 24-26.) Compare chapters 13:50 with 17:4, 12, 34. Rom. 16:1-6.

GIRLS AND LEADERS

INTRODUCING "OVER THE SEAS TO CHINA"

MRS. H. M. COULTER

1. The Leader's Preparation

TO hold a new book in one's hand and anticipate the adventure in store, sets the pulse a-stir. To sit down and read it through without interruption is a possibility on rare occasions, and with rare books. The occasion has arrived, for our new study book, "Over the Seas to China", by Mrs. Ballantyne, can easily be read from cover to cover in an hour. But better still it entices one back again and again and sends us forth to seek further information from various sources, some of which are listed on page 36. In order to present the book alluringly and effectively, the leader will read this book before taking it to her group.

Some one has said that "The distinguishing feature and the crowning glory of China is its literature," and yet we think of China as a land teeming with people to whom the doors of education are closed. Especially have women been denied the privilege of education. This custom is traceable to the influence of the teachings and writings of Confucius 551-479 B.C. One of his statements is sufficient to reveal his attitude—hence the attitude of the people: "It is very difficult to keep company with women or small-minded men because if one is too familiar with them they lose their respect, if too far from them, they grumble." The Chinese proverb, "The ignorance of woman is her virtue" has left its mark too. In this day of strife, and uprisings in China this new day, the women and girls are seeking their rightful place. Miss Tseng, principal of a girls' school, said at the Jerusalem Conference, "The Chinese women can find full life only in the message of Christ."

Can we interest our girls in these their sisters?

Can we kindle a desire to help send them the Message?

Can we lead them to know some of our workers at home and in China?

Simply learn through "Over the Seas to China", and pass on your information.

2. Presenting the study book

Everyone likes a change in the form of a meeting or a surprise. Therefore make all plans for this meeting yourself, keeping everyone in the dark as to its nature. Before the hour, remove all the chairs from the class room, place on the floor sheets of common brown paper.

As the girls arrive seat them in Oriental fashion, having induced them to leave their shoes in a neat row at the door. Some of the first to arrive may be used to assist in arranging the late comers. As soon as all are seated serve tea, made by pouring the boiling water on the tea leaves, and removing the leaves at once. Serve clear without milk or sugar. Plain rice and chopsticks, or almond cookies, nuts, or candied fruit or ginger, may be served.

Questions will abound. Why do we sit this way? Who drinks their tea like this, etc. The leader will then tell them something of the Chinese people and their customs, gleaned from the first chapter of the study book, and lead the girls to discuss what they know about the Chinese people and how they feel towards them. Show them the study book. Talk about it. Plan to make a Treasure Book in which can be kept all information, pictures, and current events about China. Appoint a committee to bring in suggestions for the cover, and another one to arrange the programme for the next meeting.

Play a few Chinese games: (1) Eating fish's tail. The girls stand one behind the other with their hands firmly placed on the shoulders of the girl ahead. The game is for the head girl to try to catch the end girl without breaking away from the line.

Call the Chickens Home, or as we play ''Blind Man's Bluff.''

Cat catching mice.

See ''Children at Play in Many Lands'', by Katharine Stanley Hall, price 75c., and ''Chinese Play Hours'', by Mary Entwistle, price 15c.

And now the adventure of discovering new friends has just begun, but happy hearts and happy faces say ''we are going to carry on!''

MISSION BANDS

BOYS and girls, do not forget your extra offering for the little brown babies in Bhil-land. The ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home'' is built and, on October 10th, Miss Mildred Soutar, who is to be the Superintendent, sailed for India. Be sure and read about her designation service in this number of *Glad Tidings.* (Page 366.)

A Message To Mothers

MRS. J. W. DILL

IN the annual report for 1929, I sent out an oft-repeated-appeal to mothers and Auxiliary members to come to the help of our Mission Band Leaders. I have received permission from one mother to tell of her invitation to enter our work.

This dear mother suggested that I call her experience ''A Mother's lesson''. She writes: ''A number of years ago I was the busy mother of four children, a member of a Woman's Club, and also of a Literature Study Circle. I answered all the calls of my church, including the W.M.S., but took no active part in the work of any organization.

My little daughter, nine years of age, was eager to join the Mission Band, and I finally consented, stipulating that her studies should not be neglected nor her hours of practice for her weekly music lesson. The whole family were in agreement that if all the members were as enthusiastic as Mary, it must be a wonderful Band with a wonderful Leader. Twice a week our dinner hour was enlivened with a résumé of the afternoon meeting, and when our girlie brought home a Mission Band mite-box we made her happy with our contributions. Once a week, beginning with father, the box was passed around by sparkling-eyed Mary. ''A little child shall lead them''.

The Band met on Friday after school and I was under promise to call Mary early that morning, in order that she might get in her half hour practice before breakfast. Twice I forgot to call my sleepy little daughter and it was a very serious little girl who came home to get in her half hour practice. I was sorry for the dear child but was not as worried about it as she was.

Well, my lesson came about in this way. One afternoon Mary came into the house very slowly and I could see that she had been crying. When she saw me she threw herself into my arms and cried so hard that I was really frightened. It took a long time to soothe her and when worn out and quiet, she said, 'Oh mother! you forgot twice to call me to practice in the morning, and when I got to Band meeting it was so late that I did not like to go in, and just missing those two meetings I lost the prize, a lovely book from the President of the Auxiliary. Ruth got it, she only missed once.' Then the tears came again.

'Mary! mother is very sorry but tell me the name of the book and I will get it for you.'

'No thank you mother, that would not be the same, it would not be earning the prize you know,' said my child earnestly.

Anxious about our little, quiet daughter that night, I stole into her room. She was awake and again crying. We had a lovely talk and the lesson I learned was, that I had failed my child in not being really interested in what interested her so deeply.

When I said good-night, my daughter with her arms tight about me, whispered 'Oh mother, if you could only belong to the W.M.S. and give a prize and I could win it, wouldn't it be too lovely for anything?'

When I told my husband he merely remarked 'I don't think you can turn a deaf ear to that appeal.' I did not, and the Auxiliary received a new member, and the Mission Band a willing helper, and my Mary's dream came true. She won my offered prize the next year. The day is coming when I shall have to face the parting with my dear daughter, but I shall give her to the missionary work of our Church with a glad and willing heart. Dear mothers let us not forget that:

'New things grow
As the old things fade.
As we train the children, so
Is the future made.
That shall reign when we are low,
All the work we would have wrought
Must by them be done;
We shall pass — but not one thought—
While in every one
Lives the lessons we have taught'.''

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

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THE semi-annual meeting of the Provincial Board was held in First Church, Edmonton, September 19th, afternoon and evening, there were eighteen women present and Mrs. F. W. Allott of Calgary was in the chair. The Treasurer reported contributions so far: Calgary $1,150.00; Edmonton, $850.00; Red Deer, $188.00. Mrs. H. B. Mansell reported two new Mission Bands organized. Mrs. James McNeill reported 15 new Junior Members and 11 Life Members. Calgary Presbyterial announced a Sectional meeting to be held in Lethbridge on September 25th. Genuine pleasure was expressed at the approaching visit of Miss P. B. Lamont, Field Secretary.

Grace Church, Calgary has five live C.G.I.T. groups with a membership of seventy.

The devotional hour was in charge of Mrs. F. W. Allott, Mrs. James Adam and Mrs. R. H. Christie.

Miss Yerbury, of London, England, representing the ''World Wide Evangelization Crusaders'', was a distinguished visitor to Edmonton recently. Under the auspices of the W.M.S. of First Church, she addressed a meeting on August 31st. Over one hundred persons were present, and her message will not soon be forgotten.

A very pleasant evening was spent at North Hill Presbyterian Church, Calgary, when thirty-three members of the ''Little Builders'' M.B. entertained the Mission Band of Knox Church. There was a short programme cleverly given by the members, also a very interesting address entitled ''God's Little Garden'' was given by Mrs. Woodside.

Mrs. A. Robertson, Vegreville, writes ''We have two full houses this year, twenty-four girls and twenty-four boys. Last Sunday we resumed our Mission Band work. Our first W.M.S. meeting for the season was held at the Boys' Home. We read 'In a Garden,' which is so beautiful. We are sending for the new study book also the Presbyterian Mission Work Across Canada. We are few in number but we do enjoy our little meetings.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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VICTORIA.—On September 2nd, a pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mrs. Thos. Humphries, Victoria, when the women of the Presbyterial had the pleasure of meeting Miss Gladys Murphy, of Eastville, Nova Scotia, who sailed for Japan September 4th. Miss Murphy was sent by the Eastern Division, and is a young woman of highest Christian principles and we pray that God will guide her, and richly bless her labors in her chosen field.

A most interesting meeting was held in Fairview Church, Vancouver, September 3rd, under the auspices of the Provincial Board. Mrs. G. W. Ledingham, President, presided. The meeting was called to bid farewell to several out-going missionaries: Miss Gladys Murphy of Eastville, N.S., to work among the Koreans in Japan, Miss Ellen Anderson, Acton, Ontario, who will be supported by the Western Division, and will give her services also to the Koreans in Japan, and Mr. and Mrs. Fulton, Belfast, Ireland, who will represent the Presbyterian Church of Ireland and will work in Manchuria. Short addresses were given by each one. Dr. McBeth also spoke briefly. Other workers noticed were, Miss Murray of Tyndale House, Montreal, Misses Ellen Douglas and C. Moodie who leave shortly for India, Miss S. Crawford and Mrs. Louie from the Chinese mission, also Mrs. J. F. McLean, itinerating deaconess.

Our W.M.S. had a share in the new Chinese Church and Hall, Vancouver, in the furnishing of five of the seven dormitories on the second floor. We hope to have a good response from our members throughout the province for bedding, etc., required.

Mount Pleasant Auxiliary, Vancouver, held their first meeting after the holidays September 2nd. Miss Crawford of the Chinese Mission addressed the gathering.

Fairview Auxiliary met September 4th, and enjoyed an interesting address by Mrs. J. F. McLean, itinerating deaconess of the province. On September 18th, a new W.M.S. Auxiliary was organized among the women of the Chinese Presbyterian Church, Vancouver. Six names appear on the roll with Mrs. Louie as President. May they have great success in their work.

The annual Autumn Rally of Victoria Presbyterial was held in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria, September 9th, and was well attended. The

Provincial President, Mrs. G. W. Ledingham was present. During the week she, with the Presbyterial President, visited the up-island Auxiliaries, speaking at Port Alberni, and Nanaimo. Port Alberni is the youngest Auxiliary in the Presbyterial, and although few in number, the members are hopeful.

MANITOBA

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WINNIPEG P.S.—A number of women in Winnipeg Presbyterial were glad of the opportunity to meet Miss Mary Ellen Anderson, Acton, Ont., and Miss Gladys Murphy, Eastville, N.S., who left Winnipeg August 26th, for Vancouver, where they will sail for the Orient on the *Empress of Japan,* to do evangelistic work among the Koreans in Japan, the former under the Western Division, the latter under the Eastern. Our prayers and best wishes go with these two young women who have heard the call, to work in this part of the Master's vineyard.

East Selkirk.—Under the auspices of the Presbyterian mission, East Selkirk, a most successful garden feté was held August 9th, at the Van Horne farm. The grounds were available through the courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Sangster. Mrs. H. A. Robson, Provincial President, who opened the feté spoke of the late Sir Wm. Van Horne (original owner), of the great service which he rendered to Western Canada, and the importance of church mission work in the neighborhood. A splendid programme was enjoyed. The day was a success both socially and financially.

Knox Church, Roland.—Instead of the sermon on Sunday morning, September 14th, the Mission Band held their annual Mite Box opening on the platform. There were dialogues, recitations and choruses all culminating in the bringing of gifts. This part of the programme was most impressive, as the children emptied their boxes of small coins into a beautifully decorated basket held by one of their number. The whole service was directed by Mrs. Cundy and her assistant superintendent, Miss Moore. This small Band has the proud distinction of having doubled its allocation for 1930.

Superior P.S.—Early in September, Miss Lamont visited Port Arthur, and on Saturday afternoon, members of the ''McKay'' Mission Band, the ''Janet Smellie'' Band and the 'teen age girls met in First Presbyterian Sunday School hall, and listened to a very interesting address from Miss Lamont on the Presbyterian Church in Canada. On the following Sunday Miss Lamont spoke to the Sunday School of First Presbyterian Church, Fort William, about seventy children being present. Her subject was India, and all were deeply interested in her story. On account of illness, Miss Lamont was not able to fill other engagements, but Superior hopes for another visit soon.

''Sunbeam'' Mission Band, St. Andrew's Church, Fort William, has re-organized for another year. Mrs. Hunter is the new President. St. Andrew's W.M.S. held their regular meeting September 18th. Mrs. McCutcheon of Port Arthur gave the Bible lesson. All are busy getting the supplies ready for the ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' School.

Winnipeg P.S.—At a largely attended meeting of the Executive held in First Presbyterian Church, September 26th, Miss Lamont was the speaker and gave a most inspiring talk on the growth and expansion of the Women's Missionary Society as seen by a Field Secretary. Miss Lamont recently held meetings at Crystal City, Morden and Roland all of which were well attended. Miss Mamie Todd, deaconess, recently arrived from Montreal and who will reside in Winnipeg was also welcomed.

Winnipeg Presbyterial is greatly rejoiced at the presence of Miss Lamont, Field Secretary, and the addresses to which different Auxiliaries have listened to from her have been of an exceptionally high order. Miss Lamont is known as a speaker of much forcefulness who never fails to present the call of higher things. Her deep knowledge of the scriptures, the warmth of conviction that characterizes all her utterances as well as the winsomeness of her personality have produced a marked impression. The inspiration and stimulus of her visit to Winnipeg Presbyterial will not soon be forgotten.

ONTARIO

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THE Provincial Board of Management met in St. Paul's Church, Toronto, October 2nd and 3rd. There were 24 Presbyterial Presidents, 11 of whom were newly-elected, and 31 Provincial officers present. The problems and progress of each Presbyterial and department were presented and discussed. Work among the younger women was stressed, Mrs. W. Ekins presenting the aims and needs of Girls' Organizations, and Mrs. J. Williams outlining plans for Young Women's Auxiliaries. It was felt that Miss Pelton's tour of Ontario in the coming year will foster a deeper interest. The Treasurer reports receipts to date of $53,261.00 and confidence was expressed that the allocation would be reached.

Interesting descriptions of the Presbyterian Camps for Young People were given. Mrs. W. Ekins, Hespeler, told about the Livingston camp at Baden, Mrs. D. Ritchie, Sarnia, pictured ''Kintail'', our camp on Lake Huron, and Miss Lois McRae spoke of ''Glenmohr,'' on Lake Simcoe. On the 3rd, Mrs. D. Strachan gave an address during the luncheon period, on various phases of our work. The spirit of frank discussion and fine co-operation that prevailed brought encouragement and clearer vision to those present.

Algoma P.S. was privileged to hear Dr. Goforth at St. Paul's Church, Sault Ste. Marie, Mrs. R. D. Curry read an address which was later presented to Dr. Goforth.

Barrie P.S.—Collingwood Auxiliary was addressed by Dr. Goforth at their Thank-offering meeting. He brought a stirring message to a crowded church.

Oro-Essen had as speaker Mrs. W. H. Fletcher, Toronto, at a joint meeting of the Auxiliary and Ladies' Association.

Brockville P.S. annual meeting was held in Knox Church, Morrisburg. Secretarial reports were encouraging. A service of remembrance was held for loved departed members. Dr. and Mrs. Goforth delivered addresses. A sectional meeting was held at Mainsville, September 17th. Interesting papers and reports were presented and C.G.I.T. girls of Iroquois gave a demonstration. Addresses were delivered by Rev. A. H. Barker, Cardinal, and Rev. A. W. R. McKenzie, Spencerville.

Guelph P.S.—St. Andrew's Auxiliary, Fergus, held a largely attended Thank-offering meeting October 2nd. Mrs. Goforth was the speaker. She also addressed the Auxiliary of Knox Church, Elora.

Huron P.S. annual conference was held in Caven Church, Exeter, September 9th. Mrs. Gauld spoke on Formosa and Miss Lily Macarthur told about the port work at Quebec. Greetings of Presbytery were brought by Rev. C. Dougan, Clinton. Good secretarial reports were given, also reports of the Provincial meeting.

Peterboro P.S.—A report of the Provincial meeting was given at St. Paul's Church, Peterboro, Lakefield, Lakehurst and Millbrook by the delegate, Mrs. E. E. Cox.

Mrs. W. D. Davis, wife of Rev. Mr. Davis, who has been appointed to Manchuria, addressed St. Paul's and Fraser Auxiliaries, Peterboro. Gifts were presented to her, and to her family.

Sarnia P.S. held four sectional meetings. Miss Lamont addressed each one, and conducted a question drawer. Reports of the Provincial meetings were given.

Saugeen P.S. annual meeting was held in Knox Church, Holstein. Reports showed zeal and enthusiasm, and allocation exceeded. Mrs. D. T. L. McKerroll was the speaker. Holstein M.B., winner of the Presbyterial banner, presented a pageant.

Toronto P.S.—A Presbyterial rally was held in High Park Church, September 25th. Addresses were delivered by Mrs. Gauld, Formosa, Mrs. W. A. McLennan and Rev. J. G. Inkster, D.D.

At the open Thank-offering meeting of Glenview afternoon Auxiliary, October 1st, Mrs. Chas. H. Thorburn, Ottawa, was the speaker.

QUEBEC

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QUEBEC P.S.—A sectional meeting was held September 10th, at Asbestos. Delegates were present from three of the four Auxiliaries in the Section. Most encouraging reports were read from these Auxiliaries, and judging from the spirit of optimism manifested during the discussion which followed, intensive work may be expected during the remainder of the year. Miss Pelton gave a splendid address on ''The Outlook for the Future of the Missionary Enterprise.'' Those who were privileged to hear her soul-stirring message ''Christ For The World,'' ''Christ Is For All Or Christ Is Not At All'' caught a larger vision of our commission as a W.M.S. In her closing words, Mrs. McKelvie, Lennoxville, urged her hearers to take Miss Pelton's message back to their Auxiliaries and by God's grace make the closing months of 1930 memorable by their prayerful, earnest, endeavor to advance His cause and kingdom.

Montreal P.S.—There was a large attendance at the quarterly Executive in Knox-Crescent Church on September 19th. The President, Mrs. A. W. Lamb, presided. All the Secretarial reports told of activity and progress. A conference of Home Helpers in June, a Young Women's Rally at Elgin, efforts among Mission Bands to respond to the appeals for funds for the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home,'' in India were all items of interest. Bales had been sent to Huntingdon School Home, ''Cecilia Jeffrey'' Indian School, ''Hugh Waddell Memorial'' Hospital, Canora, Sask., and Tyndale House Camp, also gifts and garments to the Montreal Chinese School. $148.00 and supplies valued at $451.00 had been received. The Treasurer's statement showed an advance on September 1st, of $480.00 over last year at the same date. Total receipts to date $7,418.48. Mrs. James Fowlie was appointed a member of the Finance Committee in place of the late Mrs. E. B. Busteed. Mention was made of the arrangements under consideration for the three months which Miss Pelton will spend in Montreal.

The President spoke feelingly of the heavy loss sustained by the Presbyterial through the recent lamented death of Mrs. E. B. Busteed and Mrs. Duncan Gordon, both Presidents of Auxiliaries and devoted laborers in the cause of missions. While the audience stood, a resolution of appreciation was read and adopted and later entered in the minutes.

Miss Ethel Reid then addressed the meeting and in bidding farewell to the Presbyterial, prior to her return to China, asked that she might be constantly remembered in prayer. The meeting was brought to a conclusion by the singing of the hymn ''Speed Thy Servants'', and prayer by the President that Miss Reid's home in China ''might be lighted by the lamp of God's presence and warmed with the fires of His love.''

Young Women's Rally

The Annual Rally of the Young Women's Mission Auxiliaries of the Churches of Athelstan, Elgin, Georgetown, and Huntingdon, was held September 6th, in Elgin Church. Mrs. Lamb, President of Montreal Presbyterial, conveyed the greetings of the Presbyterial to the Auxiliary members and friends. The minister of the Church, Rev. P. McK. Sampson, extended a sincere welcome to all, as did Mrs. Elder, District vice-President. Mrs. J. Forbes Fowlie, Presbyterial Y. W. Secretary, then called the roll and there was a gratifying response. The Secretary of each Auxiliary read her report of the year's work and these showed that much work was being done and allocations met. Miss Laura Pelton, Field Secretary, gave an earnest and heart-searching address.

The next rally is to be held in Georgetown Church, Howick.

SASKATCHEWAN

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REGINA P.S.—The Provincial Executive, resident in Regina, met at the home of the Provincial President, September 8th, to plan for the fall work and to arrange for Miss Lamont's visit in Saskatchewan. The members of Regina Presbyterial sub-executive and several secretaries from outlying districts met at the home of the Presbyterial President on September 12th. Matters pertaining to this Presbyterial were considered. Mrs. G. D. Ralston reported on the business discussed at the enlarged Council Executive meeting held in Toronto in May. Much regret was expressed over the resignations of Mrs. R. McDonald, Whitewood, Mission Band Secretary, and Mrs. C. C. McLean, (nee Miss Lizzie Martin, Heward).

Whitewood.—The W.M.S. of Knox Church, Whitewood, met at the manse, the attendance was very encouraging. The President, Mrs. Lougheed, was in charge. Mrs. R. McDonald spoke on the topic ''How the Gospel Was Spread Over Europe.''

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S., Kinistino.—Since organizing of W.M.S. in June with membership of nine, three new members have been added. They have very interesting meetings, with Mrs. Madill as President. They hope to have a special speaker for the Thank-offering meeting, and are looking forward to the organization of a Mission Band.

Saskatoon, St. Andrew's.—Mr. Birch, who is supplying in Parkview Church, was the special speaker at the September meeting. He spoke on the ''Meadow Lake district last year'', others taking part were Mrs. Browning, President, Miss J. A. McKinnon and Mrs. P. Hill.

Parkview.—The September meeting of the W.M.S. was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Lindsay. Mr. Garvin, of Mayfair Church, addressed the meeting, speaking on ''St. Paul, the Missionary.'' He referred to the difficulties which our overseas missionaries of to-day have to overcome.

North Battleford.—At the June meeting of the ''Willing Workers'' Mission Band, Jack Park, Treasurer, was presented with a Bible and a Burning Bush pin. Mrs. Park, who is a very faithful member of our W.M.S. is moving to Edmonton. We regret her departure. The 'Teen Age girls were at camp at Meata Beach from July 8th to 16th. They report a wonderful holiday.

Moose Jaw P.S.—A meeting of the Presbyterial Executive was held in Knox Church, September 15th, the Presbyterial President, Mrs. Drynan, in the chair. Following the devotional period, a great deal of business came up for consideration and reports of the secretaries were dealt with. The afternoon session was featured by further reports, all of which showed an extensive and deeper interest in every department of the work. Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, gave a comprehensive report of the enlarged Council Executive meeting, held in Toronto, in May.

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Ontario

Sarnia P.S.—''Happy Helpers'' M.B., St. Andrew's Ch., Sarnia.

Corrections and Additions to the Annual Report

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No wider than the heart is wide;
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Farther away on either hand;
The soul can split the sky in two
And let the face of God shine through.''

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Pensions	398.30
Refund on Student account	6.00
Provincial Givings:	
Alberta	144.00
British Columbia	200.00
Quebec	925.00
Ontario	5,000.00
Saskatchewan	150.00
	$8,344.30

DISBURSEMENTS

South Porcupine Hospital	$ 335.00
McMurray Hospital	148.33
Canora Hospital	479.16
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Chinese in Canada	564.99
Indian School, Birtle	640.79
Indian School, ''Cecilia Jeffrey''	1,154.38
Huntingdon School Home	239.74
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Saskatoon School Home	164.16
Prince Albert School Home	119.16
Vegreville School Home	753.63
Welcome and Welfare	1,149.88
India, Bhil	3,841.86
India, Gwalior	3,095.69
China, South	454.16
China, Manchuria	702.50
Japan	3,742.68
British Guiana	250.00
Formosa	412.48
Publications	1,915.36
Church Extension	500.00
Organization	625.00
Pensions	41.66
Student	80.00
Supplies	249.25
Miscellaneous	149.24
Administration	991.65
Deputation	5.20
	$23,611.44

FINANCIAL SURVEY

Balance on hand August 31st, 1930	$83.387.74	
Receipts	8,344.30	
Disbursements		$23,611.44
Bank Balance		5,449.07
Pension Fund		7,906.21
Legacy Fund		8,771.78
Sustaining Fund		30,549.56
Bonds		11,500.00
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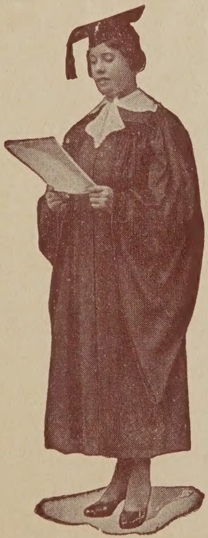

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"And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God." Luke 8:1.

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The Glad Tidings

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For Christmas Eve—A Prayer

O Lord, there sit apart in lonely places,
At this, the gladdest time of all the year,
Some stricken ones with sad and weary faces
To whom the thought of Christmas brings no cheer.
For these, O Father, our petition hear,
And send the pitying Christ-Child very near.

And there are tempted souls this night, still waging
Such desperate warfare with all evil powers.
Anthems of peace, while the dread strife is raging,
Sound but a mockery through their midnight hours.
For these, O Father, our petition hear,
And send Thy tempted, sinless Christ-Child very near.

Lord, some sit by lonely hearthstones sobbing,
Who feel this night all earthly love denied,
Who hear but dirges in the loud bell's throbbing
For loved ones lost who blessed last Christmastide.
For these, O Father, our petition hear,
And send the loving Christ-Child very near."

Editorial

THERE was a hush in many hearts when, on October 22nd, the word was flashed over the wires that "Dr. McQueen of Edmonton was dead." In his passing Canada has lost one of her great men, the Presbyterian Church an outstanding leader, First Presbyterian Church, Edmonton, a beloved pastor, and western Canada one of her most honored pioneers.

Forty-three years ago, in response to the appeal of the late Dr. James Robertson, the veteran Superintendent of Missions of the Presbyterian Church, Dr. McQueen went to Edmonton. "The history of that city, its growth and expansion from a frontier town to a commercial centre of western Canada were all aided through the work of this pioneer minister. He watched the development of the west with interest from that time and played no small part in improving conditions in the province." During these years Dr. McQueen received every gift of honor it was in the power of his Church to bestow. He was chosen Moderator of the General Assembly, the first Moderator of the Presbytery of Edmonton, the first

Moderator of the Synod of Alberta, and was appointed to represent the Canadian Churches at the Reunion of the Presbyterian Churches in Edinburgh in 1929.

Dr. McQueen was immovable in his loyalties. Always a staunch Presbyterian he declined to enter the Union of the Methodist, Congregational and Presbyterian Churches in 1925.

Honored in life, Dr. McQueen, distinguished ''Dean of the Kirk in western Canada'' was mourned in death. As the cortege left the Church, headed by the massed pipe bands, the moving strains of the ''Flowers of the Forest'' found an echo in the hearts of the people of every walk and calling who had gathered in the thousands to pay honor to the memory of one who ''as citizen, as minister and as man, had made a tremendous and permanent contribution to the life of the city and community where he lived, to the Church which he adorned and to the Society which he served and by serving ennobled.''

To Mrs. McQueen who for forty-three years laid her gifts and talents equally with those of her honored husband upon the altar of humble service for the Church, and also to her family in their great loss, we extend our deepest sympathy.

THE passing of Mrs. Willoughby Cummings, Editor of *The Living Message,* the official publication of the Dominion Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of England in Canada, and charter member of the National Council of Women, sees the close of a life of exceptional achievements.

In her death the women of Canada suffer a great loss, for Mrs. Cummings was gifted with a statesmanlike vision of Christian service, and every great movement which aimed to benefit women received her loyal support.

Mrs. Cummings combined distinguished leadership with great pioneer service. For ten years she was a member of the staff of the *Toronto Globe* and did pioneer work for women in journalism. Up to the time of her death she was the honored Editor of the ''Letter Leaflet'', later known as *The Living Message,* the official magazine of the Dominion Woman's Auxiliary; she also wrote for many publications; edited a history of the Woman's Auxiliary, and of the National Council. For seventeen years Mrs. Cummings was secretary of the National Council of Women. She organized and was president of the Toronto Women's Patriotic League during the war. She was a member of the first Women's Committee of the Canadian National Exhibition, and was instrumental in starting the Babies' Rest there. Her love of children made this one of her most prized achievements. The Victorian Order of Nurses and the Women's Historical Society also claimed her time and thought. Mrs. Cummings had the distinction of being the first woman to receive an honorary degree from a university in Canada, when King's College, N.S., conferred upon her the D.C.L.

Mrs. Cummings' death is a loss to Canada, to Toronto, to her Church and Woman's Auxiliary, and to her friends and co-workers. A great leader has passed on, a wonderful friend has gone from sight. The Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada would take this opportunity to pay their tribute to this sister co-worker whose interest in their organization and sister publication, *The Glad Tidings*, stretches back into the years.

To the Woman's Auxiliary of her Church which mourns the loss of their Editor and the severing of an allegiance that never wavered, and to the members of her family they would extend their deep and sincere sympathy.

SUCH good news comes from Amkhut. Splendid progress has been made on the frame work of the new bungalow at Toran Mall. They are using iron trusses which will make a good strong house and be proof against damage by rain or white ants. Miss Robson feels that with Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan in Amkhut, she can go up to Toran Mall after Christmas and carry on the work there.

The new missionaries started writing on their examinations October 8th. The results of the orals have been announced. All passed, Mr. Wood with distinction, having obtained 95 per cent.

THE Indian women on the Okanais Reserve, at Elphinstone, Man., have organized a W.M.S. Mrs. Mackay Flett is the President, Miss Mary Flett is Treasurer, the Secretary is Miss Jemima Blackbird, an ex-pupil of Birtle School. All the officers are Indian women. Equally interesting to us is the announcement of the formation of a W.M.S. in the Chinese Presbyterian Church, Vancouver. The President is Mrs. Louie, the Treasurer is Mrs. Ko-Kan, both Chinese women. The Secretary is Miss Sybil Crawford. The President and Secretary are our missionaries to the Chinese in Vancouver. Shall we not all offer a special prayer of thanksgiving that the women whom we helped now desire to help others.

IT is with sincere regret that we inform our readers that Mrs. William Gauld, of Formosa, and her daughter, Miss Gretta Gauld, are withdrawing from our mission staff. To the young missionaries who looked upon Mrs. Gauld as a mother and to the Formosan people whom she served so long and who love her so dearly, the news that she is not returning to them will be very sad. We think, too, what it must mean to Mrs. Gauld to bid farewell to the home round which clusters thirty-eight years of tender and sacred memories. We thank God for the fine service He has enabled her to render the people of North Formosa and pray that His richest blessing may attend her and her daughter in the days to come.

THE 54th annual meeting of the W.M.S. (Eastern Division) was held in Westminster Church, New Glasgow, October 1st and 2nd. There was a large number of delegates. The new President, Mrs. MacLeod, presided. Inspirational addresses were delivered by the Rev. Frank Baird, D.D., Moderator of the General Assembly, Dr. A. S. Grant, of Toronto, Dr. MacVicar, Moderator of the Maritime Synod and Mrs. MacLeod, the President of the W.M.S. The work in British Guiana and among the Koreans in Japan was presented by Mrs. F. Baird, the Foreign Secretary. A touch of realism was given the story of the home work by the presence and message of the port workers and deaconesses. The departmental Secretaries gave most encouraging reports and the Treasurer announced receipts for foreign missions in 1929-30 of $14,327.76, and for home missions of $7,922.84. The meeting favored increasing the magazine subscription to 35 cents, and making a charge of 25 cents for the Annual Report.

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Pioneering in Pouce Coupe

MISS HAZEL MACDONALD

THE Grande Prairie Sunday School is just over. If our city schools could see the quietness and eagerness of the members of this one! No question of discipline here at all. It meets at the home of Mr. Wright, as they have no church here. This morning we went out twenty miles to Bear Lake and held Sunday School and Church service in a school house. The whole Sunday School stayed for church and the place was packed with about sixty people. Two small babies were baptized, and Mr. Wright preached a splendid sermon.

I got the Ford car in Edmonton. They all said the drive up to Pouce Coupe would be lovely if it did not rain. Well, it started raining on Monday morning, but it had been raining hard in the north several days before that. I got to Athabasca about four o'clock, Smith, the next place on the map, was fifty-seven miles distant and I thought I could make it. The road was terribly soft and by the time I was twelve miles out I realized I could not possibly get to Smith and so I went back. Starting out the next morning, with chains on, I made thirty miles in three hours and slipped and slid over hill and dale. I saw one truck in the ditch. It was perfectly terrible because if one skidded in the wrong place there were sheer drops on the side. I was praying that the rain would stop and the roads get better, but neither happened.

When I was just thirty miles on the way I skidded over to the side of the road and almost into the ditch. My car was at such an angle that I did not dare try to move it. After sitting there half an hour, a car came skidding up with three men in it. They offered their assistance, backed the car down into the ditch and then got up on the road again. One chap offered to drive my car to Smith while one of the others drove his car. And so we started out.

Smith was some place, just an hotel and a store, so my new friends said I might as well travel with them and keep on going. So we kept on until we reached Faust, stopping meanwhile to help pull another car out of the ditch. The man driving my car was an expert at it, but the chap who drove his did not do much better than I had done. He almost got in the ditch twice. We reached Faust about ten o'clock and found a cold hotel but a warm welcome. The lady of the hotel served us a delicious dinner and that helped a lot, as we had only had a sandwich and tea at five o'clock. I dreaded continuing that ride, it certainly was a nightmare, some times averaging only five miles an hour, and through such wild country that one time a young deer was standing on the road, and another time a young moose was running down the road ahead of us. We had planned to make Peace River and reached there about nine p.m. After dark the roads improved because they were freezing and so we decided to keep on going. The men wanted to reach Blue Sky and so we made that town at 12 p.m. The hotel was open but every one was in bed. One of my friends located an empty room and I registered and took possession. This man had come up to look over some property he owned, he also had some work in connection with the grain elevators at Blue Sky. After seeing that I was settled they went over to the elevators and slept in the office. Their work would keep them at Blue Sky the next day, and so I decided to go on alone.

Miss Hazel Macdonald

It took me three hours to make forty miles. And the Dunveygan hill was worse than anything I ever saw or heard about. The side going down was fine, but going up, after crossing on the ferry, seemed at times like the impossible, and I had to put the Ford on low, in order to make it at all. The car was so covered with mud that I thought it would never get clean again. By noon I got to Roycroft, and the roads were soft again, but I thought I would try it. They said there were no towns for thirty-five miles. Well, I got out seven miles to find a car crooked across the road and stuck. I did not dare take a chance trying to pass it. I waited over an hour and it was still stuck so I went back to Roycroft.

Sitting in the lobby that night I heard many and varied tales, but they said if I had driven up the Dunvegan hill I need not worry about the road ahead. Fortunately, the roads were frozen in the morning and I made the rest of the trip quite safely. I stopped to take off a chain just outside of Grande Prairie, it had broken and was making a terrible chatter. A big man drove up in an old Ford and helped me. Later that afternoon he stopped at Mr. Wright's to make arrangements to be married the next day. He was as surprised to see me as I was to see him. And so the journey was ended Friday. It took me four days and a half to make five hundred miles.

Mr. Wright's parish is over one hundred miles wide. That does not mean much at home, but when I tell you we took from ten a.m. until three-thirty p.m., with half an hour off for lunch, to make the ninety miles from Grande Prairie to Pouce Coupe, you can see what it means out here. And de were fortunate to get here at all.

I'm sitting in the lobby of the hotel as my room is too cold for comfort. I wish you could see the view ahead. The town is situated on a hill, and I can look across a wide valley to another hill. But these same hills hide my view of the Rockies. We got a glimpse of the snow caps, eighty to one hundred miles distant, with the sun shining on them, as we drove out to Bear Lake for Sunday morning service. It was perfectly wonderful! I'm glad I'm in the hills and not out on the prairie. It is starting to snow. We have only had one clear sunshiny day since I left Edmonton. Occasionally, away off in the distance, you can see the sun is shining. I'm beginning to wonder if they have stars out here.

Hear a Parable:

A LITTLE girl at Christmas time had ten cents given her—ten bright pennies. "This," she said, laying aside one, "is for Jesus; and this is for you, mother; and this is for father," and so on to the last one. "And this is for Jesus," she said. "But," said her mother, "you have already given one to Jesus." "Yes," said the child, "but *that* belonged to Him, *this* is a present."

Different Phases of Work at Mistawasis

Mrs. J. W. Moore

MR. MOORE opened school on September 2nd and has now an attendance of 18 with more anxious to get in. We have three who live too far away to come from their homes, boarding in nearby homes, and many more (some non-treaty but good Presbyterians) anxious to be allowed similar privileges, but we have not yet received full commission on this point. We give them as good a dinner each day as we can plan for them and they thoroughly enjoy it. Our school-room is too small to accommodate comfortably all who attend. We have started football for the boys and softball for the girls and these, with other games which they play at times, give them outdoor exercise and zest for their meals and work.

Missionaries and Indians at Rossburn.
Miss Gadd, Mrs. Currie, Counsellor Longclaws, Mrs. Longclaws, Mr. Hyson, Longclaws father of the children.

One of the young men whom I taught, taking him into the home when he was four years old, visited the school yesterday and coming into the kitchen, remarked, "My mind goes back a quarter of a century to my old home, my school days and my good mother who is now in heaven, and my eyes rest on that old tall cupboard which I believe should be replaced now by something more modern. I notice, too, the same old desks which we were forbidden to deface and which still do service for our children. Some of them have also reason to be superannuated."

Our Mission Band, of which Mrs. Joe Dreaver is Superintendent, is doing everything possible to justify its existence and is sending a small box to one of the hospitals.

Though the obstacles and inconveniences with which we have to contend are many and varied our work is full of enjoyment. Our Sabbath School is also interesting, particularly as some of the mothers accompany their little ones and take a very active part in the study and discussion of the lesson, and help to make the singing a decided act of worship as they have sweet voices. We have some very good singers among the young men who often come in toward the close of the Sunday School. They have, of course, their own Young People's Society, of which Mr. Moore takes charge though we all do what we can to help.

Our Missionary Society is doing its best. We find the same very familiar problems to deal with that are common to all such organizations.

We have had unexpected expenses in connection with church problems on the reserve, other reserves also have had the same problems, but our reserve has taken steps to have them put right. This has meant a big expense, but the women have taken an active part in endeavoring to defray them. I am glad to say that we have been successful for this is a decided step in maintaining the treaty rights of the people. I hope they will always measure up to their responsibilities and become an integral part of our country in all respects. Quite a number who fought for their country now enjoy the privileges of the franchise and follow with deep interest all national problems.

Our Ladies' Aid, which became a distinct Society at our last annual meeting, as in other places, attends to the local problems of the church. But, this year, it has been harder to get money into the various treasuries than at any previous time. There is, however, no lack of interest and, as much of our money is yet uncollected, we are making an effort to get as much as possible in before the end of the year.

We are trying our very best so to train these people to feel that, though they are Indians, their standing in God's sight is no different from that of white people and their responsibilities are according to their opportunities.

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Christmas in Formosa

MRS. H. A. MACMILLAN

IT was Christmas eve in Formosa. We had just returned from a leisurely stroll which took us through the main shopping district of Taihoku city. If you had been with us you might well ask, "Are all the shop-owners in the city Christian?" for scarcely a shop window was without Christmas decorations. Santa Clauses, large and small, stood guard over the colorful gifts displayed and there were many little gaily festooned Christmas trees. One window pictured a snow scene with a miniature church, lighted, in the background. No, not many of those shop-owners are Christian, and not many of them know anything about the Christ spirit. But, they are keen business men and they know enough to take advantage of this practice of gift-giving among Christians.

But we did come upon one place, as we neared home, where Christ and His spirit were known. Pretty Soren Church, standing back from busy Maruyama Road, was lighted up and from open door and window, floated Christmas music, children's voices strong and clear sang ''Hark the Herald Angels Sing'', ''As with Gladness Men of Old'', and ''It Came Upon the Midnight Clear''. We slipped in to the back of the Church unnoticed by the singers. There were many uninvited guests crowded in at the back of the Church. Fifty or more children were grouped in the front seats and the young preacher, his face aglow led them in his fine tenor voice and beat time with his baton. They were practising for their Christmas concert, when in song and story they would tell to relatives, friends and non-Christian on-lookers the love of Christ for His Chinese children. Then, too, as is their custom at Christmas, they would bring gifts of money, fruit or clothes which later would be distributed to the poor under their Church's care.

We went to bed that night with the refrain ''Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled'' ringing in our ears, and when the last lone traveller had gone along the road and an hour or two of quiet had passed, there came again out of the mist and darkness, ''Hark! the Herald Angels Sing.'' Were we dreaming or had the angels truly come as they did nineteen hundred years ago. Our sleepy minds finally grasped it. It was the preacher and his boys beneath our window. They were astir early to bring the Christmas message to us. They passed from house to house singing their carols and then on to the nurses' residence and the hospital.

We had caught a vision and our hearts thrilled to think of the day when all in Formosa would lift up their hearts and voices, and sing, ''Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.''

A happy, happy Christmas
Be yours to-day!
O, not the failing measure
Of fleeting earthly pleasure,
But Christmas joy abiding
While years are swiftly gliding,
Be yours, I pray,
Through Him who gave us Christmas day.

—FRANCES RIDLEY HAVERGAL.

God's Little Garden

MRS. J. H. WOODSIDE

EVERY once in a while I see a boy or a girl who reminds me of a certain flower. You have often heard people say—Mary's eyes are as blue as forget-me-nots, Jamie's cheeks are like pink roses, or Jack's lips are as red as poppies.

But for a long long time it has occurred to me that when I look at the pansies, I see little faces, that are almost exactly like the faces of God's family. So boys and girls I want to tell you a story this evening about "God's Little Garden." I have some pansies here, and these pansies are going to tell you a sweet message. I hope you will all listen, and try hard to remember the story.

White: Now, first of all, I am going to take the white pansy. It is not at all hard to pretend that the white pansies are the members of God's family, and that means you and all the other white children in God's world.

Black: Then we have the black pansies. Who can tell me what family these belong to? Of course, the black or negro people in Africa.

Yellow: Then, we come to the little yellow pansies, these are the little Chinese children in God's family.

Brown: These pansies are certainly the dear little brown children of India.

Red: As for these reddish colored pansies they are for the American Indians who live in our own country. (Here talk about the Indians.)

Well! You know the minute you see a pansy that it is a pansy, whatever color it is, don't you? So just in the same way, we can always know that everybody we see is a member of God's family, whatever color they may be.

Now let me tell you the history of the pansies. They were not always flowers. ? ? No! Once they were queer looking little seeds like these (show seeds). How very small these seeds look. Here take five of them, all exactly alike as far as you or I can see.

Once somebody planted five seeds like these, down in the earth of a pretty garden. God sent the rain and the sun to help make them grow, and somehow He taught them how to split open when the rain had wet them, and the sun had warmed them. Then tiny little green shoots began growing higher and higher, until finally they pushed right out into the sunlight. They still kept on growing till you could see the leaves, then the *buds*—and then what? Yes! five little pansies.

But although the *seeds* all looked alike, and the *plants* all looked alike, and the *buds* all looked alike, one flower had *white* petals, another *black petals,* another *yellow petals,* another *brown petals,* and another *reddish petals.* But the minute they opened their petals the same sweet smell seemed to breathe the words, ''God is good,'' and if you had your eyes shut you couldn't tell one flower from the other. The color was the only difference.

God has given each child in His great big family, a little garden of his very own, in which we are each to plant the seeds of love and kindness.

I have a little verse that tells the whole story:

My heart is God's little garden
and the flowers growing there each day,
Are the *things* He shall see me doing and
the *words* He shall hear me say.

But, just as all the pansy plants needed God's sun to help make them grow right, so every little child needs God's Son, Jesus, to help them grow right.

All over God's world our missionaries are busy telling the children of God's family that their hearts are God's little gardens, and showing them how to grow right. And that is why, boys and girls, we have our Mission Bands where you may come to learn, and study of God's great love, and to save our pennies that are put into the mite boxes for the little *black* and *yellow* and *brown* and *red* children, who do not know as you do of a Saviour who loves them and cares for them.

So, boys and girls, if you save your money, and send it away each month, it will go to help these children, and to help send missionaries to go around among all of God's family, who never heard of Jesus and His love, and perhaps some day some of you may be able to go, and tell the story to these children. How many would like to go?

I want you to remember the little *yellow,* and *brown* and *black* and *red* faces of God's family. And I want you to pray that just as all the dear pansy faces seem to say ''God is good'', so God wants to see all the little yellow and brown and black and red faces smiling as they sing ''God is good''.

I think it is very nice to know that it doesn't matter what color their faces are, that a black pansy is as sweet as a yellow or white pansy. Now you won't forget all this the next time you see pansies, will you?

Your Mission Band Thank-offering day will be more joyful and happy when you desire that every single child all over God's world joins with us in singing:

My heart is God's little garden
and the flowers growing there each day,
Are the *things* He shall see me doing and
the *words* He shall hear me say.

From a Child's Garden in India:

A World Fellowship Prayer

''Our Father you have given me
So much of love and joy to-day,
That I am thinking of joy and love
To other children far away.

Wherever they lie down to sleep,
Happy and tired with work and play,
Yellow and brown, and black and white,
Our Father bless us all to-night.''
For Jesus sake. Amen.

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Itinerating on Vancouver Island

By a Provincial President

VICTORIA Presbyterial held their full Executive meeting and rally on September 9th, in St. Andrew's Church, Victoria. About 60 ladies attended, some being out-of-town delegates. It was a very enthusiastic rally and I am sure a great deal of information was given and received. Mrs. Cotsford gave an outline of mission work in general and, by request, I gave an outline of our Council Executive meetings in May. Through the rally, we got in touch with all the Auxiliaries in Victoria. Wednesday Mrs. Cotsford and I went to Port Alberni, where a meeting was held in the manse that evening. The ladies were most enthusiastic about the mission work of our Church, and hope to organize the children into a Mission Band very soon. No older girls belong to the congregation at present, but the outlook is very hopeful, for a small group.

Thursday afternoon we came back to Nanaimo, and spent a very enjoyable evening talking over their situation with the pastor and President of our Auxiliary. We also had the pleasure of seeing the skeleton of their new Church, which they hope to dedicate before the New Year. Our women's work in Nanaimo is handicapped by lack of leaders, but they hope to have a leader for Mission Band and girls' group next month. Friday afternoon we had a splendid meeting with about 30 women, some of these had not been at a meeting before. They seemed very interested in the work our Society is doing, and promised to swell the membership of that Auxiliary. Both Mrs. Cotsford and I felt that the time spent in these visits was a benefit both to ourselves, and to our women. It makes them feel they are not alone in this great work for our Master, but belong to something larger than their own local congregation.

We hoped to visit Duncan, where we have an Associate Society, but on account of the fall Fair, they could not arrange a meeting. We have an invitation to go later in the season.

In Victoria, our Church's work has had some set-backs lately, but we hope the winter months will see revived interest, and that the work in general will progress favorably.

Unless something happens to prevent, I hope to visit in Kootenay and Kamloops Presbyterials, at their request. Mrs. MacLean is at Grand Forks, but they seem to think the President should again make the visitation.

World Day of Prayer

FEBRUARY 20th, 1931

A Call to Prayer

GOES OUT TO ALL LANDS

"Ye Shall Be My Witnesses"

Continue Steadfastly in Prayer

"Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name that will I do."

SUBJECTS OF PRAYER

Make us faithful

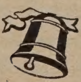
In Our Prayer
- For ourselves
- For our own family and people
- For the needs of the world

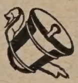
In Our Witness
- By our words
- By our ways (mode of life)
- By our works for God's Kingdom

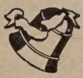
In Our Love
- For Him who bought us with His blood
- For those with whom we are in daily contact
- For all in the work that is done among men in the name of Christ.

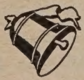
Amen!

Prepared by Baroness van Boetzelaer van Dubbledam of the Netherlands.









In Answer to Prayer

Miss Alma M. Burdick

THERE have been several definite answers to prayer in our work in Tamsui. Some concerning the teachers and some concerning the students, but of course there is much need for continued intercession for this work of winning souls from darkness to the light and love of our Saviour.

I have a class in New Testament in the Girls' School this fall, besides the work in the Women's School. The girls in that class are 'teen age and nearly ready to be graduated from the High School. There are twenty-seven of them and they have had Bible study right through their course, so it is not easy for me to have a good lesson for them each time and present it in an attractive way—in Chinese. Think of the illustrations, the proverbs, etc., which would be so helpful that I have not the knowledge of in a strange language. But there is One who is always ready to help us when in difficulty and His Word is so rich that with the proper time spent in preparation, I find that the class hour slips away pleasantly.

One of our Women's School girls who is from a Christian family and is a Christian herself wishes to be a Bible woman. She has nearly completed the course at the school, so this term she studies in the forenoons and in the afternoons does evangelistic work with me in nearby villages, and some days she holds classes in the homes of Christians. Her heart is in the work and I feel she is and will be used of the Lord. Please pray for her.

Three of our Women's School graduates are training to be nurses in the mission hospital. They are anxious to do the work and in that way serve the Lord. Please pray that they may not forget the purpose and may be used in winning the patients to the Master.

Thank you for your prayers and interest in the work. Your share in it is beyond counting. We would feel very helpless were it not for the praying, giving friends at home.

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Books Old and New

By Lereine Ballantyne

CHRISTMAS is upon us with all the multiplicity of books that appear annually at this time of year. A number of titles that are suitable for gift giving, especially those from the pens of our own Canadian authors are listed below, with just a brief word, as it is impossible to review them fully, owing to the limitation of space. Then, too, our new Mission Band book is announced. Another gift idea is suggested by the number of letters received at this season enquiring about W.M.S. pins, and so for those who wish to give some fellow-worker this gift which is dear to the heart of all W.M.S. members, the following prices are listed:

Ordinary Membership Pins, silver, 75c. each.

Life Membership Pins, in 14 kt. gold, $2.50.

Honorary Membership Pins, with new bar, complete $4.25.

New Bar applied to old Life Membership Pin, $2.65. (This is for Honorary Members only).

THE FOREST BARRIER is the new book by Marian Keith, and is a story of dauntless pioneers of early Canada. There are bits of her usual rich humor, mixed with barn raisings, bees, and all the colorful background of early days. Price $2.00.

INDIAN NIGHTS is another gift book, the last from the pen of our beloved Isabel Ecclestone Mackay, in which Indian legends of Canada are given with the true Indian tone and atmosphere. We are interested in the Indians of our country, and this beautiful gift book reflects some of their best stories. Price per copy, $2.50.

THE OCTAGON CRYSTAL, by Pearl Foley, is a unique adventure story with an old Indian legend as a background. This book is suitable for men or all who prefer quick action. Price $2.00.

ROUGHING IT IN THE BUSH, by Susanna Moodie, is a book of delightful pen pictures of old Ontario days. Price $3.00.

UNCLE TOM'S CABIN comes in a beautifully illustrated edition of the famous story, and is sold at $3.00. We now have it in the $1.00 edition.

VAGABONDING AT FIFTY, by Elsie R. Mitchell and Helen Wilson, is an unusual book on the travels of two middle-aged women in Siberia and Turkestan. Price $5.00, now selling at $1.00.

These are only a few gift suggestions. Write for any of them, or for our complete book list, to the Secretary of Publications, Room 700, 372 Bay Street, Toronto.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS, DIALOGUES, PLAYS OR CANTATAS are arranged in specially selected lists with both Christmas and Missionary themes. Send for list, and if ordering tell us just what you want, the ages and number to take part.

MOTHER INDIA is now available in the $1.00 edition. This book is for adults only, is said to be a true picture of conditions in India, where Christianity has not yet penetrated.

SISTER INDIA comes between Dr. Stanley Jones's ''Christ of the Indian Road'' with its ideals held up, and ''Mother India's'' stark realism. It is beautifully descriptive, and seems to be just what so many of our women have been looking for on India. This deals largely with work in the Women's Christian Medical College, Ludhiana, so well known to our women. Price per copy, $1.25.

Mission Band Leaders Notice!

THE MISSIONARY TOLD IT is the name of a new book of stories, all collected from our own fields. The names of those who tell them are all familiar, and the stories are just right for the story hour. Those who have finished ''Love's Candles'' will find this useful to fill in the winter's programme with stories. Order for Christmas gifts, or for the Mission Band. Price 25c.

MISS MISSION BAND MEETS THE CHRISTMAS FAIRY—is a new Canadian pageant, using several juvenile characters. Price each 10c. or $1.00 per dozen.

OUR LETTER BOX

Indian Women Organize a W.M.S.

Elphinstone, Man.

"WE had a very successful missionary meeting this afternoon. It was the first time the officers had a chance to act, and we were feeling a little anxious about them, but it really was better than I expected. We were disappointed in our speaker. Mrs. Lauder was to have talked to the women in Cree, but it rained and she could not get out to the meeting. She is quite an old lady and could not rough it as a younger woman. So we have still the pleasure of looking forward to a meeting with her later. Neither Miss Buckley nor I had prepared anything to speak to the women about but I found a piece on Mary Reed's work among the Lepers at Chandag Heights and read it. Our President, Mrs. Flett, did her part very well. We are fortunate in having such a capable woman. She spoke in both English and Cree so we all could understand. We have a good Secretary also, Jemima Blackbird, an ex-pupil of Birtle school. There were twenty-two women present. The collections were $2.05.

The women are very interested. Mrs. Flett said 'It seems nice to see the women together and they seem to enjoy themselves'. Every one seems willing to do what she can to help with a Thank-offering Sunday. Some are coming to help mend chairs to-morrow. On Friday evening a few women and some men with their violins are coming to practise some special music for Sunday. A committee are coming Saturday to clean and decorate the church for Sunday. So our time will be well filled for the remainder of the week.

We held our school this morning. We can't get out of holding school, the children simply won't let us. Did I tell you about the day 'our wagon load of Bones' came before nine o'clock in the morning with their basket of lunch ready to have school all day. We did hold school all that day, but decided we could not get any visiting done if we continued to do that, and besides three hours seems enough when you haven't desks, etc., to work with.

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The women held their first meeting on October 15th, with twenty-two present. On Sunday October 18, they held a Thanksgiving Service. Their collection at the two services amounted to $5.68. Mrs. Lauder, daughter of the first missionary on the Okanais Reserve is going to talk to the W.M.S. at their next meeting on October 29.

The women seem quite enthusiastic and we hope and pray they will continue the good work on that reserve.''

—*(Misses) Ellen Blackwell and Mary E. Buckley.*

Happy in the Land of Her Dreams

Kobe, Japan.

"I THOUGHT you would be interested in knowing whether or not we were disappointed when we reached the land of our dreams, the land toward which our eyes have been set for so long. If I can help you to understand how happy I have been since my arrival, you will know that I am not disappointed.

I really think that we were well initiated, as we were told the day of our arrival that we were invited to a Korean wedding on the following day. We were a little afraid that we might do something that would disgrace Miss MacLean and Miss McDonald, but as the girls promised to help us in any way they could, we decided to accept the invitation. It was our first experience of removing our shoes and of sitting on the floor, and although we ached a bit before the service was over, I was so glad that we did not miss it. The service was in the church, and Miss MacLean played the wedding march. The bride was dressed in white, and was very shy and modest. There were two bridesmaids who carried her train, and I was very much interested in two little children who acted as ring-bearers. It was a real inspiration to see the Korean men especially, sitting on the floor singing in their native tongue the hymns to our familiar tunes, and the prayer by Pastor Chai sounded so beautifully reverent, even though I did not understand a word. But the chief part of the invitation took place when we went afterwards to the home for the wedding feast and attempted to eat Korean food, and that with chopsticks. We tried to do the best we could, and the Koreans were most kind, and tried to make us feel as much at home as possible.

I knew that the Koreans were kind and courteous and sincere, but I did not know that they had such a keen sense of humor. This makes them delightful indeed.

I was greatly pleased and touched one day when a student pastor, Mr. Kim, called on us to thank us for taking the trouble to come from Canada to help his poor people. I can say in all sincerity that I do love the people and am longing for the time when I shall be able to speak to them. I am becoming quite accustomed to attending the Korean services. One evening they took the names of the new-comers and asked Miss MacLean to write my name in Korean. The list was then read aloud, and all the people clapped their hands. So you see I really belong to them now.

I have noticed that the proportion of men and women who attend the services is different from that at home. Thus far at least, the number of men is much larger than the number of women.

This evening at the church service we were asked without warning to contribute a solo, so I sang in English a part of 'Abide With Me,' while Miss MacLean played from the Korean hymn book. But I shall be so glad when I can really serve.

Will you please pray much for us in the study of the language, and also for these 'other sheep of Christ's flock,' so dear to the Father's heart?''

—(*Miss*) *Ellen Anderson.*

A Letter From British Guiana

"DEAR *Glad Tidings:*

It is very nice to be up and about again and to feel able to resume one's place amongst the activities of the mission. I was reluctantly compelled by illness to spend a long time in hospital during the first half of the year.

With the return of Dr. Cropper (my brother) and his wife in the beginning of August, and the reopening of our day school on September 1st Better Hope seemed to spring into new life.

The church here is an old building erected about sixty years ago by the former proprietor of the estate, our friend and benefactor Mr. Crum Ewing. Some repairs at the present time would not be amiss. But these must wait for awhile as we purpose bending our attention on the procuring of a new instrument, harmonium or small organ. The one in use at present is, both in appearance and sound, quite unfit as an aid to worship in God's house. Our people at this place are not well off, many are very poor, and life on the sugar estates is getting harder daily for the laborers. So likely it will be a little while before we get our new instrument, though we have as our time objective the happy season of Christmas.

Yesterday a little family of four, the eldest about ten or eleven, the youngest between three and four, arrived at the Manse in tatters. The mother died two years ago and the father is a rheumatic invalid, only able to work spasmodically. The oldest, a girl with pretty, fine features, left school at the death of her mother to become ''little mother'' in the home, and is now assisting the finances by working in the children's gang on the estate. From the mission boxes, re-inforced by garments made in Better Hope school, I was able to clothe the group and send them on their way rejoicing. This happened in the morning, and in the evening a trio of small fry arrived from another home, equally poor, encouraged to come by seeing the good things the others had got.

While I was in hospital the Governor, Sir Edward Denham and Lady Denham, newly arrived in the colony, visited the institution. They were both extremely kind in speaking with me and Lady Denham asked me to write to her when I came out of hospital, as she was interested in mission work and would like very much to see some of our work in the colony. I did this and was able to arrange for her to visit St. Cuthbert's, our little church in the city, where she met the members of the ''Band of Love'', the women's organization of that church, which was started by Mrs. Cropper some years ago, and the ''Girls in Training'' under Miss Aird. We had a very happy function at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and a tiny girl presented Lady Denham with a bouquet of roses. Lady Denham spoke very pleasantly and encouragingly to the women and girls.

Lady Denham has shown a lively interest in our Girls' Training Home which has just been reopened at Essequebo, on the return of Miss Barlow from furlough.

We are in the midst of a very dry season. As we look out on the pastures we wonder where the poor cattle get their nourishment from. In a couple of months' time we shall see many of them trying to find a spot of high ground on which to stand to avoid the water all around them. But while we have these extremes to contend with we are never exposed to hurricanes or volcanic eruptions as our neighbors on the Islands are. For which we should be devoutly thankfull.''—*(Miss) Selina Cropper.*

Caring for the Chinese Children

Montreal, Que.

''I AM very glad that Miss Dickson is actually going to come here to take Miss Reid's place. She is so capable in everything that she will be just like a mother to me. I would rather wait a little longer to get her than to have some one else I have never been acquainted with.

While Miss Reid was not in the city I felt I should visit the mothers and children more often, and did so. While we were preparing for the closing exercises of our school Miss Reid had suggested that during the summer holidays when Mrs. Herman and I were both in the city we could arrange to have all our children (including the graduated ones) back to school every Wednesday afternoon, in order that all our old and new pupils could get acquainted with each other. And so we did, then when the weather was warm and bright, we took them up to the mountain for a picnic. We hired a truck to take us there and return for a dollar and fifty cents, and we bought a few loaves of raisin bread which they could all eat without butter. The whole picnic cost us altogether about two dollars. They all looked so happy running around playing ball and having games.

Chinese Picnic, Montreal

I did not go away this summer, and have had quite an experience taking different pupils or their mothers to the hospital clinics and seeing all the sick people waiting for their turn. Many times I had been visiting in the different hospitals to see friends or relatives in the private wards, but I had never been to different clinics until this summer.''

—*(Miss) Hattie Jue.*

Varied Duties of a Pioneer Nurse

Fort McMurray, Alta.

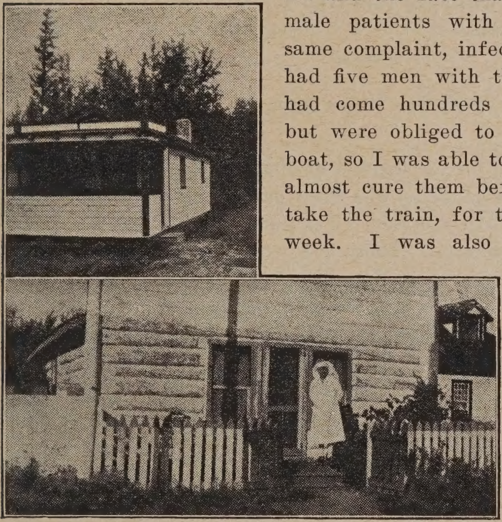
> The Nurses' Home has no steps and no cracks for dust to accumulate, and that is a great consideration in this country. The fireplace is great company and brings such comfort. I sincerely hope many of the ladies will be spared to come and enjoy a holiday and rest in my little home. In case of an epidemic, it can always be turned into an emergency hospital, and will thus be useful as well as ornamental, and, if I may be permitted to say, it is the envy of every one, for the workmanship and beauty of such a commodious little place.

"I AM back on terra firma again. Little did I realize that it was over a year since I had a maternity case in the hospital, and it almost seemed like starting afresh again, for with the dark evenings and cold and rain, one has to see that the lamps are trimmed, and plenty of dry wood in, and the match box in the right place, etc.

I had looked for this patient for three weeks before she came, so you can imagine all the attention she had received in my mind before the case actually took place. I was so pleased when I saw her wandering in at a decent hour, seven p.m., and just as the rain was commencing. We had an all night downpour, and next day was cold and drizzly, but the Great

Physician was near as usual and everything was o.k. The baby was the dearest little girl, in fact, all the babies born in the hospital have been girls, and they have been such good little things. Of course, I have a method of training them, for little as they are, they would train both mother and nurse, if they were allowed to do so, and it is surprising what that means to the mother when she goes home, for she has no trouble whatever when everything is done on schedule time. That is something they never heard of before, so by degrees they are learning something, and we hope those little seeds of knowledge will bring forth fruit in due season.

The month of October was unusual in that I was busier than I generally am and the fact that I had an epidemic of male patients with almost identically the same complaint, infected hands or fingers. I had five men with the latter, two of whom had come hundreds of miles further north, but were obliged to come out with the last boat, so I was able to help them, and in fact, almost cure them before they were ready to take the train, for they were here nearly a week. I was also called upon to attend a young boy, fifteen years of age, who had been kicked by a horse and injured internally. After one week's care he was able to return to his home which is on the other side of the Athabasca river, about two miles up. Besides these dressings, I was called upon twice to give advice regarding babies' diet. The doctor was absent for three weeks, and it was in this interval I had the extra responsibility of giving advice, as well as nursing care, to fifteen out-patients.



Hospital and Nurses' Home, Fort McMurray
Miss Ross is standing at the Hospital door.

We are rather keyed up, wondering what is in store in the future, for this is to be the headquarters for the æroplanes taking the mail to points as far as the Arctic Circle, and we hear there is another fish company starting up, and next spring we are to have a bi-weekly train service.'' —(*Miss*) *Olive Ross.*

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A Bit of Good News for You

"THERE wasn't a Y. W. A. in the Presbyterial. Two were listed but they are really Associate Societies, but the new Y. W. A. Secretary of the Presbyterial has been on her toes the whole time and we have now two Y. W. A's. and a lot of girls' groups affiliated. She arranged a Girls' Rally and had nine churches represented by 94 girls, besides adults. I did not meet with any of the Mission Bands, but had a conference with the leaders a few nights ago, but it was one of the many wet nights we have had so the attendance was small. I have had 24 meetings since September 16th, so haven't had very many days off, but will have three the last week of October, before going on to Saskatchewan." —*(Miss) P. B. Lamont.*

Pray for These Boys

Manchuria.

"WE do thank God for the number of times letters from the Homeland have told of those who keep on praying. We need your prayers more than you know or can understand, each day brings its needs and work and problems. There is so much to do and the temptation is to neglect the language study which must be kept up. But we realize the importance of that so must be patient and keep at study.

Last Sunday I thought I would go to the east-side of the city where we have another preaching place. On my way over I gave away a great number of tracts because the road over there is one of the main thoroughfares and, the day being fine, great crowds of people were coming in from the country places round about.

On my way back from the chapel service I met a group of boys ranging from fifteen to eighteen years of age and after giving each a tract one spoke a few words in English, but it was a point of contact. We chatted together until we reached the West Chapel and they asked if they could come and see me. We set a time for yesterday and sure enough they all turned up, five of them. They were anxious to know if I would not teach a class in English and wanted to have two hours a day at it. I told them that my work in China was not to teach English, but to tell of the Lord Jesus and His love. I told them that if they were willing and could manage it and would like to have a Bible class on Saturday afternoon from five until six studying in the English Bible we would try it. If after studying the Gospel of Mark for a month they liked it we would form a permanent class. They came to Sunday School on Sunday and stayed for church. I gave them each a copy of the Travellers' Guide, a number of which I have on hand through the kindness of an interested friend at Evangel Hall.

I wish you would pray for these boys, one never knows all that may come out of such a start. They told me this morning as we chatted how interested they were in the 'Jesus Doctrine' but had never had anyone explain it to them. Next Saturday at five we begin that study.''

—*Joseph and Mabel Koffend.*

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Order of Service for the Presbyterian Women's Day of Prayer

ONTARIO PROVINCIAL W.M.S.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9TH, 1931.

MRS. F. R. REDDITT

I. THE LEADER:

''O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Fear before Him, all the earth. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise; be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.''

HYMN 86, ''All People That On Earth Do Dwell''
or 109, ''Unto The Hills Around Do I Lift Up''

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING:

''For the blessings of life and peace; of plenty and pardon; for God's loving kindness, and the gift of a Saviour's love and sacrifice.''

SCRIPTURE: Matthew XX:20-31.

II. PRAYER: The Church.

''The great days of the Church come when that full scope of service is accepted as the Christian's task.''

PRAYER: For parents and teachers and all who guide the young.

That they may encourage a love of helpfulness. That they accept their responsibilities in guiding those within their care in the worship and love of God, and a desire for service in the work of the Church.

HYMN 476, ''Saviour Thy Dying Love''

III. PRAYER: Our young people.

1. ''For divine blessing on the children; and that little ones the world over may hear and know the story of the Christ child.''

2. For boys and girls. ''That they may increase in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.''

3. For young men and young women. That they may consecrate themselves to higher service giving freely of time, talents

and gifts. Especially that our young men shall dedicate their lives to the ministry of our Church.

HYMN 586, ''Hark The Voice of Jesus Calling''

BRIEF ADDRESS: ''The Meaning of Service.''

HYMN 572, ''Father I Know That All My Life''

IV. PRAYER:

1. Our national missions.
2. Overseas missions and missionaries.
3. The Women's Missionary Society.

THE DOXOLOGY.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison).

(*The service to last one hour*).

Prayer

OUR loving heavenly Father, our hearts are full of gratitude and joy as we approach this Christmastide when we celebrate anew the gift of Thy dear Son as Saviour of mankind. Prepare all hearts to commemorate His coming, that the road which He must travel to reach each heart be not uneven with hills of self love and pride, or valleys of distrust and fear, but rather may the crooked places be made straight and the rough places plain and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed. Grant that we may not in feverish haste, cumbered with much serving, welcome the royal guest, but rather like the Magi from the east, with faces turned earnestly to the light, behold Him with a deeper sense of wonder and worship and choose the sacred privilege of learning to know Him better and offer to Him our best gifts. Grant, we pray Thee, a special blessing to all little children the whole world over. Bless our missionaries, too, our Father, who are far from home and friends. May they and their loved ones be drawn very near through the bond of Thy abiding presence. And, for those who sit apart in lonely places and find it hard to be happy when more joyful Christmases fill the halls of memory, for these, O Father, our petition hear, and send the pitying Christ child very near. Draw them close to Thyself, be companionship for their loneliness, strength for their weakness, courage for their new life. Give to us all an abiding spirit of goodwill and charity to all mankind, which shall manifest the spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WITH THE AUXILIARIES

Christmas

"Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

READ.—Luke 2:1-20.

"Though Christ a thousand times
In Bethlehem be born,
If He's not born in thee,
Thy soul's forlorn."

HEAVENLY FATHER, we thank Thee for the remembrance this day of Him who was born to be the Saviour of the world. We thank Thee that He was once a little child, depending on human love and care, and that through Him Thou dost come very near to us Thy children. We pray that Christ may be born in our hearts to-day; and that through His life in us we may have that childlike spirit which He loved to bless. Keep us, O God, from thinking of ourselves too much. Help us to obey Thee and to trust Thee with a simple heart. Keep us pure and kind through the happiness of this Christmastide.

Intercession

We pray Thee to bless all little children to-day; the children whom we specially love, that they may be true children of Thine; all children that are unloved and neglected, that Thou wilt send them helpers and friends; children born in heathen lands, that they may come to learn of Thy Holy Child Jesus.

(Ask yourself whether you know of any little child to whom you can bring some happiness to-day for Christ's sake.)

Heavenly Father, let the spirit of the Prince of Peace win all the world, that wars may cease and men may live together as Thy children. And help us all to make more room for Christ in our common days, that His peace may fill our hearts and lives.

This we ask in His Name. Amen.

—*From "A Day Book of Prayer."*

GIRLS AND LEADERS

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM YOUR SECRETARY

Dear Girls and Leaders:

MANY of you are so far away I cannot meet you personally so I take this opportunity of sending my greeting to you through the *Glad Tidings.* It is rather appropriate that the message should go out this month for this is the season when we all are thinking of our friends and the greetings we will send to them at Christmas time.

What does Christmas mean to the girls of your group? Is it a time for frantic shopping in crowded stores, a worried counting of money in order to buy all the gifts one wants to send, a careful checking of lists so that no one is forgotten in the exchange of presents, a time for holidays, family reunions, gay parties, winter sports? Do they stop to remember the story of the first Christmas, the birth of Christ, or take time to plan how they can fittingly celebrate His birthday?

One project which might interest the girls is the story of how Christmas is celebrated in other lands, their legends and festivities, their manner of giving presents. A missionary touch may be added by mentioning the countries which have no Christmas because they do not know the story of Jesus' birth.

Groups may carry out a world friendship project by preparing gifts for new comers to our land. Several groups have already sent to the office for the name of a family whom they can help. Many of you may have foreign families in your own community who are lonely and would appreciate a visit or a Christmas gift from Canadian girls. Those of you who are near the ports may be able to assist the Welcome and Welfare workers in preparing a Christmas treat for the strangers who land in Canada during the holiday season.

Here are some suggestions which groups have carried out in their own churches.

1. Taking part in a White Gift service—bringing gifts to be distributed to hospitals or poor children.

2. Going to the woods for fir and other greens which were made into wreaths and garlands to decorate the church.

3. Learning Christmas carols which were sung at church, Sunday School, Christmas entertainment or in the homes of elderly members who were unable to attend the church services.

4. Sending a Christmas dinner to a poor family in the congregation.

5. Telling to the group some of the beautiful Christmas stories—

''The Other Wise Man'', by Van Dyke; ''Why the Chimes Rang'', by R. M. Alden; ''A Christmas Carol'' by Dickens.

We give gifts to those we love to show our affection for them. We try to show our love for Christ by remembering others less fortunate than ourselves. ''In as much''. But the best gifts are not those which are bought with money but those in which we give something of ourselves, those which represent time, effort and patience. Can we not show our love to Christ by a real gift, a gift which costs us something, a gift in which we give ourselves, making a new resolve to follow more closely His example and endeavor to become the girls God would have us be.

With all good wishes for a very happy Christmas.

Yours sincerely,
Jean MacGregor.

MISSION BANDS

December Programme

Opening Hymn.—''Around the Throne of God'' (790).
This makes a good part song.

Scripture Lesson.—Luke 2:1-20; Matt. 2:1-18.
The telling or reading of the story might be taken by two of the Band.

Hymn.—''Away in a Manger'' (729).

Prayer.—For our Church, homes, loved ones, leaders and Band members.

Offering.

Prayer.—Dear Father, accept our offering. We are glad to give if we cannot go to carry the gospel story. Amen.

Address or story.

Prayer.—For the children of the whole, wide world.

Hymn.—''While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks'' (168).

All standing with right hands upraised, repeat together:

Merry Christmas to all the children of the world.
''God bless us every one.'' Amen.

HAVE YOU ALL GIVEN FIVE CENTS?

The end of 1930 is very near and we hope every boy and girl has been able to give five coppers to help furnish the ''M. G. Abey Memorial Children's Nursing Home''. If some have forgotten, perhaps they would like to spare five cents out of their Christmas money to help the sick little children in Amkhut.

Christmas Day in Sight of the Himalaya Mountains

MRS. J. W. DILL

EARLY one Christmas morning, a few years ago, the girls in a Mission School in India carried out a plan for surprising their teacher. They got up and dressed without making a bit of noise, and then with whispered warnings such as—''quiet now! Sh! don't giggle! step softly! here we are at teacher's door! now, one, two, three—sing.'' Softly, sweetly, clearly ''Away in a manger, no crib for a bed'' was sung in their own language.

The surprised teacher fully dressed came to the door when a carol had followed the hymn.

''Happy Christmas! Mama Teacher,'' the girls said together. Their loved teacher wished them the same. Then the girls said, ''You promised to go to the compound with us.''

''So I did, and now is the right time. Let us go.''

There was lots of fun at the compound, for three bungalows were there and at each the girls, led by their teacher, sang the hymns and Christmas carols we sing in the homeland.

''Let's call on the pastor,'' said one of the girls.

No sooner said than done, and hymn 175, ''Christians, Awake! Salute the Happy Morn'' was their greeting to the pastor, who was glad to be remembered.

They had something exciting that we do not have in Canada. Between the carols they set off fire-crackers to make a joyful noise on Jesus' birthday.

Later in the day they had a Christmas tree in the school. All the people in the compound were invited guests. There were more carols and prayers, then the presents from the tree were distributed. There were work bags, pins of all kinds, dolls, scrap-books, pictures and frames, calendars, blotters, tablets and pencils for teachers and matron and handkerchiefs for everybody.

Where did these gifts come from? From our Mission Banders, and they were taken out by one of the missionaries. Every year your gifts make Christmas a happy time for others.

You can see that it does not take long for the children in any land to learn to love Christmas and a Christmas tree.

Let us keep up the good work, dear boys and girls. Happy Christmas to you one and all!

Everybody's Christmas

PEGGY ANNE planted another stitch in the crooked line of stitches straggling up the side of the bright chintz workbag which she was making. In its course, the needle met Peggy Anne's thumb and plunged right into it. The result was a ruby red drop in the heart of a rose. Seeing that no great damage was done to the bag, the young seamstress regarded her thumb with sympathy.

''Dear me,'' she grumbled, ''I don't see why we, here in Canada, have got to see about everybody's Christmas.''

Robert Moore, Junior, looked up from the nail he was hammering into a broken toy horse. The nail had gone crooked and, like Peggy Anne, Bob had a grievance. ''Yes, an' what do other folks ever do for us?'' He inquired with heat.

Eleanor Thom, the third of the little group, regarded the two scowling faces, and, being something of a peacemaker by nature, hastened to bring comfort.

''Cheer up,'' she urged. ''This Mission Band box will soon be ready now and then we can go on with our own Christmas.''

Moving about among the missionbanders, Miss Barbie, the leader, overheard this bit of conversation. She had even raised her head with the idea of picturing the joyous reception given the Christmas box on its arrival in the mission field when another thought silenced her. No, she would say nothing now, but later she must show the children what sharing really meant.

That was how it happened that the December meeting of the Mission Band was held early in the month when the members were invited to what was called an Advance Christmas Party. Everyone came and, as if to be in on it himself, the weather man ordered a few snow flakes in the air. Like tiny stars they glistened on the blue and red and brown sleeves of the boys and girls.

At the door, Miss Barbie met her guests, wearing a crimson dress with a big bunch of holly pinned on the shoulder.

''I'm Christmas tagged already, you see,'' she said on greeting them, ''and with English holly. What would we have done for decorations if some of the settlers from the old land had not remembered to transplant their holly bushes?'' Then she went on to explain how she had arranged the afternoon with the programme first followed by the service of worship.

And wonder of wonders, the programme took the form of a radiant little Christmas tree! There it stood with its dozens of colored light bulbs winking and twinkling at the children; while, to the side, stood a miniature St. Nicholas with a pack on his back and an overflow of presents at his feet.

''There's something for everyone and everything has its message,'' declared Miss Barbie as she seated the children in a circle around the tree. ''Let old Santa begin.'' So there came the story of the early days in France when at the season of Noël the father of all Santas filled the sabots of the little French children. ''But now I belong to the boys and girls of everyland and I wish one and all a Merry Christmas,'' the message concluded. Then the Christmas tree took up the tale and told how the first Tannenbaum originated in Germany. ''Now I grow in the forests of everyland and my boughs are ever green for the little children'', ended the tree triumphantly.

''And we,'' said the gay lights, ''were invented by a citizen of the United States of America, but we shine as much as we can to brighten the whole world.''

Then the gifts began to speak, each member of the Mission Band reading the message on the something bearing his or her name. Peggy Anne's handkerchief was embroidered by the girls of India. Bob's book told him that the Chinese had invented the art of paper-making seven hundred years before other nations knew the secret. Eleanor's silk posy had been made by the dainty ladies of Japan. Formosa had contributed camphor for the manufacture of a certain celluloid comb. British Guiana had furnished sugar for the lollipops and so on and on, until everything had had its say but the gleaming star on the topmost branch of the little Christmas tree. With her hand extended to remove it, Miss Barbie paused.

''Can anyone tell me anything peculiar about this tree?'' she asked.

There was a silence, broken suddenly by Bobbie Moore.

''Why there wasn't anything made in Canada about it,'' he cried in surprise.

''That's right, only you children and myself bear the stamp,'' the Mission Band leader replied.

''It belongs to all countries, Christmas, I mean,'' someone remarked. ''We have lots of things to give too.''

''Of course we have and so for that reason we must share at Christmas time.'' The voice sounded suspiciously like Peggy Anne's.

''For that reason and also for His,'' Miss Barbie spoke very softly as she lifted down the star. ''Because the little Christ Child was born in Bethlehem of Judea and his coming has meant Christmas wherever His message of love and peace is known.'' She waited again. ''And because you know this message you will help, won't you, to make this Everybody's Christmas?''

She needed no other answer than their earnest faces as they listened again to the Christmas story, and the sweet assurance of their voices as they sang ''Joy to the World! the Lord is Come.''—*Contributed.*

PROVINCIAL NEWS

ALBERTA

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CALGARY P.S.—An interesting talk on the Student Conference at Jasper was given by Miss Muldoon, at the Presbyterial Executive September 19th. Reports from departmental Secretaries showed continued progress.

Dr. F. D. Roxburgh gave an illustrated talk on Japan at the Thank-offering meeting of St. Andrew's W.M.S., Edmonton.

Red Deer P.S.—The Presbyterial Executive met in Innisfail, October 16th. It was a very satisfactory meeting.

Red Deer Auxiliary entertained the Home Helpers at their October meeting. A special programme was arranged and refreshments served.

Three Hills held a joint meeting of the Guild and W.M.S., October 16th. The Mission Band has started its winter's work under the leadership of Mrs. Wm. Harte and Mrs. Quigley.

Rocky Mountain House W.M.S. follows the programme from the study book, and often uses the prayer from *Glad Tidings.* The average attendance is four, one member being in the Alberta Sanitorium until spring and another is a semi-invalid.

Seven members were present at the September meeting of Innisfail W.M.S. Mrs. R. J. McMaken presided, Mrs. J. A. Laird took the Scripture lesson and Mrs. J. A. T. McLagan the special prayer for a worker for Tamsui. Miss M. Bamsey took the chapter on Formosa from the ''Royal Road''.

Calgary P.S. held a sectional meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Lethbridge, September 25th. Thirty-five delegates were present, also a large number of visitors. After opening devotions by Mrs. Hill, McLeod, Mrs. Gilson gave her President's address, urging the need of development in spiritual life.

Mrs. McCleneghan, Lethbridge, led the discussion on Mission Bands. She stressed the importance of Bible Study and early training, stating that most missionaries were inspired with the desire for service in their youth.

Mrs. Adams, Calgary, has written many letters of welcome to strangers and felt the work was greatly appreciated. Mrs. Chapman discussed Y.W. and C.G.I.T. work. The Lethbridge girls derived help by studying mission fields from maps and keeping a note-book.

Mrs. Reid urged Auxiliaries to increase subscriptions to *Glad Tidings*

—stimulate interest by reading extracts from the magazine at the meetings, have talks on the paper, and ask each subscriber to renew for herself and get one additional subscription.

The greater use of Home Helper cards and leaflets was urged by Mrs. Lindsay, Lethbridge. Mrs. Finlay, Calgary, exhibited the new leaflets and folders and Mrs. Harbeck reviewed a number of the books.

Treasurer reported receipts $1,206.14, amount sent to Provincial Treasurer, $1,150.00, which is somewhat ahead of last year.

The question box, handled by Mrs. Harbeck provided the following ideas: It increases the interest to have Auxiliaries correspond directly with some missionary; 10 to 15 minutes is generally long enough for business; the annual Provincial prayer meeting was arranged three years ago to help educate in preparing programmes and had been changed to the fall so as not to conflict with the World Day of Prayer; that we have no fixed time for prayer especially it is left to the Auxiliaries.

Mrs. Craig, at one time a missionary in India, spoke encouraging words to the meeting and led in prayer.

At the evening meeting a paper, written by Mr. Greig on his work organizing Sunday Schools throughout Southern Alberta was read. Lantern slides were shown of some of the Presbyterian churches and institutions in Canada.

Mrs. Allott gave an inspiring report of the enlarged Council Executive held in Toronto in May, stating that we had no right to give to other projects until we had given what we promised to our own Church and urged her hearers to make mission work attractive.

The meeting was an inspiration and help to all who were privileged to attend.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

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ALL over the province fall rallies have been held, when plans were made for the autumn work. The reports are very encouraging and show continued interest in all lines of mission work. The rally of the Westminster Presbyterial was held in St. Paul's Church, Vancouver, when members from all parts of the lower mainland were present. Mrs. R. M. Thompson, Presbyterial President, presided.

Reports of various departments were given showing steady progress. Presentations of steamer rugs and other gifts were made to Miss Catherine Moodie and Miss Ellen Douglas. A number of farewells were arranged for these young missionaries before leaving to take up their work in India. They were the recipients of many useful gifts from a number of sources.

The reports of the W.M.S. given by Mrs. Ledingham and Mrs. Thos.

Wilson, at the meeting of Synod, at St. Andrew's Church, New Westminster, were most encouraging showing what has been accomplished during the past year. The Moderator expressed the gratitude of the Church for the splendid work done by the W.M.S.

Mrs. Ledingham, Provincial President, visited the Kamloops-Okanagan and Kootenay Presbyterials, from October 19th to November 8th, visiting the Auxiliaries, speaking at Thank-offering meetings, as well as being present at the executive meetings of each Presbyterial. Her messages brought a note of cheer, giving the workers in the interior fresh stimulus to increase their efforts in the valuable work now being done.

The W.M.S. assisted at a birthday party, on October 1st, given to honor Rev. E. D. McLaren, D.D., on his 80th birthday. Dr. and Mrs. McLaren have spent over forty years in the work of the Presbyterian Church in Vancouver. Rev. W. G. Davis, wife, and family, who sailed for Manchuria the following day were present, and brought greetings from Dr. and Mrs. Goforth who are still on furlough in Eastern Canada.

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BRANDON P.S.—The September meeting of the W.M.S. of First Church, Brandon, took the form of a rally, with the Home Helpers present; it was also *Glad Tidings* day and special prayers were offered for a teacher for Tamsui school.

The Mission Band of First Church, held their Thank-offering meeting with Mrs. Hamlin as speaker. Two girls received Junior Life Memberships.

St. Andrew's W.M.S., Brandon, held their autumn Thanks-giving. The meeting was largely attended. Rev. J. J. Cowan gave an address on missions. The offering amounted to $31.50.

First Church, Brandon, held their Thank-offering meeting in October. Rev. C. S. Oke spoke on the ''Call of the Prophets''. ''Here Am I'' should be the answer of every woman for W.M.S. membership. Mrs. H. M. Coulter, Neepawa, spoke on ''Why We As a W.M.S. Should Give Thanks.'' The greatest reason for thanks to God is for His unspeakable gift of Jesus Christ. Special music was given by Miss Kirkland and members of the Mission Band. Offering amounted to $85.00.

Superior P.S.—Miss Lamont spent the week of October 18th, in Superior Presbyterial, visiting Kenora, the Indian School and the Bands. She also spoke to the Presbyterial Executive in Fort William on methods of getting all the women interested in the W.M.S. work, and told of being at Kenora when the bales were opened and how busy the matron and teachers were getting their family of 125 outfitted. Miss Lamont also addressed the Thank-offering of St. Andrew's W.M.S., Fort William, the regular meeting of First Church, Port Arthur and West Fort William on the work of the W.M.S. Her message was an inspiration to all.

The Y. W. Guild of St. Andrew's Church, an Associate Society, had as their guests on October 23rd, the Y. W. Society of First Church, Port Arthur. They met at the home of Miss McNair. Miss Lamont was present and spoke to the girls claiming the young women for the great work of the Church.

Miss Lamont spent the week-end of October 25th in Fort Frances.

Winnipeg P.S.—Morden W.M.S. had the pleasure of having Miss Lamont, Field Secretary, address a meeting on September 21st. She gave a most interesting account of work in our various mission fields. This Auxiliary also had Miss Davidson from China, who is home on furlough, give a splendid talk on ''A Morning's Work Away from the Compound.''

Winnipeg P.S.—Miss Catherine Moodie and Miss Ellen Douglas, New Westminster, B.C., passed through Winnipeg, October 8th, en route to Montreal. The former will teach in the Gwalior field, India, and the latter in the Bhil field. During their short visit, they renewed acquaintance with former classmates, Miss Isabel Hunter and Miss Mamie Todd, and were shown around the city and district by our Provincial President.

The harvest Thank-offering of Old Kildonan W.M.S. was held in Nisbet Hall, October 9th, the President in the chair. Mrs. H. A. Robson was the speaker and gave an account of the enlarged Council Executive meeting in Toronto. There was a good attendance and a substantial offering was received.

At the September meeting of the W.M.S. of Old Kildonan Church, Miss Lamont, Field Secretary, gave a very inspiring address, which was enjoyed by all. The President, Mrs. J. R. McDonald, presided. A social half-hour closed the meeting.

The annual Thank-offering meeting of First Church W.M.S., Winnipeg, was held October 8th, and was well attended. The President, Mrs. H. Ross, presided. Devotions were led by Mrs. A. M. L. Long and Mrs. R. W. McGee. The speaker of the evening, Miss Lamont, Field Secretary, gave a very comprehensive outline of the work carried on in both national and overseas fields, closing with an earnest appeal for a fully consecrated prayer life, that laborers filled with the Holy Spirit might go forth and help make disciples of all nations. Miss Lamont emphasized that the Church that was not missionary was a dead Church.

An open meeting of St. John's Church W.M.S. was held October 1st, at which Miss Lamont gave a stirring and all-inclusive address on missions. The keynote through Scripture, was that of blessing to all nations through Israel, and the command ''Go tell.'' The speaker reviewed the work of the Church, and showed how the Church is striving to fulfil that command, in home and foreign lands.

A mass meeting of teen-age girls was held in St. John's Church, October 8th. Both city and outlying points were well represented. Miss Margaret Leggot, President, St. John's Guild, presided. Mrs. Neville, Presbyterial Girls' Secretary, introduced the speaker, Miss Lamont. Her subject was, ''What the Girl Means to the Church''. There are fields of vast opportunity for service both at home and abroad. The speaker made an appeal to the girls to cultivate high purpose, courage, and fidelity to responsibility.

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BARRIE P.S.—Mrs. Maitland, Collingwood, gave an address on India at a meeting held at the manse, Duntroon. At Nottawa, a sectional meeting was held on October 15th, by the Auxiliaries of Collingwood, Creemore, Dunedin, Duntroon, East and West Nottawasaga, Nottawa, Stayner, Sunnidale Corners, Meaford and Thornbury-Clarksburg, Mrs. Kirkland, Stayner, presiding. The speakers were Mrs. A. E. Swallow, Mrs. Wallace, Midland, and Mrs. J. S. Shortt, Barrie. At Orillia, Mrs. Gauld, Formosa, addressed the Thank-offering meeting. Four Life Memberships and four In Memoriam certificates were presented.

Brockville P.S.—A sectional meeting was held at Winchester Springs on October 22nd, with delegates from Winchester, Chesterville, Morewood, Dunbar, Russell and Morrisburg. Interesting papers were given by Mrs. Burkholder, Mrs. Turner and Mrs. Munroe. The Conference hour was in charge of Mrs. J. S. Riddell. Rev. Mr. Nimmo, Morewood, delivered an address and Rev. Mr. Sproule brought greetings from Chesterville. At a Thank-offering meeting held at Cardinal on October 27th, a lecture on British Guiana, with lantern slides, was given by Mrs. J. S. Riddell. Two Life Membership certificates were presented by the Auxiliary and the Sunshine Girls' Class.

Guelph P.S.—At the Executive meeting held in Galt, Mrs. W. R. Sutton gave a description of the Livingston Girls' Camp at Baden, where the W.M.S. was represented by Mrs. Ekins, Hespeler.

Hamilton P.S.—The Executive, at a meeting held on October 8th, in St. Paul's Church, was pleased with the results of sectional meetings, tried as an experiment in this Presbyterial. A financial increase over last year is due to the prompt remittance of funds from Auxiliaries. Arrangements were made for Miss Pelton's visit. Miss Soutar, appointed to India, was present.

Lindsay P.S.—The Executive, at a meeting held at Wick, October

23rd, heard encouraging reports of the work. A report of the Provincial Board meeting was given by the President, Miss Gould.

Saugeen P.S.—The Executive, which met in Harriston, October 15th, heard gratifying reports. Each Secretary was made responsible for the visiting of one Auxiliary during the year. Appreciation was expressed of the work of Mrs. H. Hart, Supply Secretary, who is leaving shortly for England.

Toronto P.S.—C.G.I.T. and 'teen-age girls held their annual rally in Knox Church, Toronto, October 25th. Miss Jean McGregor, Girls' Work Secretary, was the principal speaker. Mrs. W. A. McLennan spoke on behalf of Ontario Provincial and Mrs. J. G. Inkster for the Presbyterial.

Mrs. J. Goforth, on furlough from Manchuria, was the speaker at a large number of Thank-offering meetings held during October.

Glenview Y. W. Auxiliary celebrated their first birthday on October 16th. Mrs. J. G. Inkster and Mrs. John Williams addressed the meeting. Two Life Membership certificates were presented in memory of Miss Janet Haig.

QUEBEC

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A WELL attended meeting of the Quebec Provincial Board, was held in Knox-Crescent Church, Montreal, on October 21st. Devotional exercises were led by Mrs. G. W. Grier, whose Bible reading gave a deep spiritual tone to the day's proceedings. A welcome was extended by Miss Rhind, Montreal, and replied to by Miss R. R. Scott, Quebec City.

A fitting tribute to the life and work of one of the Board's Honorary vice-Presidents, the late Mrs. Duncan Gordon, was read from the minutes of the previous executive meeting. Her associate vice-President, Mrs. Andrew MacDonald, Sherbrooke, then led briefly in a prayer of remembrance, praise and thanksgiving for Mrs. Gordon's life of service and devotion.

Reports from Departmental Secretaries took up the morning session, during the luncheon hour the Society's workers in the city brought their various activities before the Board.

In the afternoon, Miss Laura Pelton, Field Secretary, spoke on her itinerary in Quebec and referred to the warm welcome and spirit of co-operation she had met wherever she had gone. In her opinion, future expansion in this province must be in the cities rather than in the rural communities.

Miss C. E. Cameron, in her address, pointed out several essentials in the work and where expansion was absolutely necessary in both city and rural Auxiliaries. Mrs. McKelvie, Lennoxville, spoke on the work done in her section and of the enthusiasm manifested at the sectional meeting. Mrs. Shanks, Huntingdon, reported in like manner for the section of which she is President. Mrs. McFaul reviewed the work in the Lachute district. In the absence of Mrs. Cream, Miss Scott reported for Quebec district.

Mrs. Gouldthorpe reported for the Huntingdon School Home, which is filled to capacity with 17 boys and 10 girls, the youngest being seven years old.

Mrs. F. Scott McKenzie gave an interesting account of the summer school conference held last July in the Huntingdon School Home. In her opinion the week is too short, a ten days' course would accomplish more.

Mrs. J. W. Dougherty in her closing words, brought out the ''high lights'' of the various reports, offering some timely suggestions for future advance in our work.

Ormstown Church hall was well filled by the Home Helpers and their friends who gathered for conference on the afternoon of October 8th. A number of outlying districts were represented. The welcome and hospitality of the Ormstown ladies was delightful. The whole service was refreshing, while the address given by Mrs. Owen Campbell, Provincial Home Helpers Secretary, will long be remembered. Eyes were opened to see the opportunities which lie within the narrow scope of the ''trivial round and common task'' and hearts were stirred to make fresh consecration to our Master. It is hoped that one new Home Helper department will be organized as one result of the afternoon's conference.

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REGINA P.S.—The Thank-offering service of the W.M.S. of First Church, Regina, was held in the auditorium of the church, October 22nd. An appropriate programme was arranged for the occasion, Mrs. H. R. Horne, Provincial President, being the speaker. A very generous offering was received. A social hour followed the meeting.

A number of members of the Provincial Executive and of the Regina Presbyterial Executive spent a very pleasant hour at the home of the Provincial President, when she entertained in honor of Misses Moodie and Douglas, who were en route to India.

Prince Albert–Saskatoon P.S.—At the October meeting of St. Andrew's Church W.M.S., Saskatoon, Miss Helen Ross gave a very interesting talk on deaconess training.

The W.M.S. of Parkview Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Steenson, when the newly appointed deaconess was the chief speaker. Rev. H. G. Gunn, new pastor of the church, spoke of his early missionary activities in Saskatchewan and, on behalf of the congregation and W.M.S., welcomed Miss Ross to their midst.

Note.—Three pages of Life Members had to be held over to give space for the Christmas material.—Ed.

Treasurer's Statement

October 31st, 1930.

RECEIPTS

A Friend, ‘‘Chinese work in Toronto’’	$ 80.00
A Friend	10.00
A Friend, ‘‘A complete surgical bed for Canora Hospital’’	125.00
Mrs. Jos. Henderson, Toronto, ‘‘Car for Miss McConnell’s work and balance for Miss Stringer’s work’’	1,000.00
D. McGillivray, ‘‘Rev. A. A. Lowther’s work in Gwalior’’	50.00
Government grant received for Cecilia Jeffrey School	3,762.41
Refund on Student account	29.85
PROVINCIAL GIVINGS:	
Alberta	316.80
British Columbia	310.00
Manitoba	271.00
Quebec	800.00
Ontario	12,500.00
Saskatchewan	200.00
	$19,455.06

DISBURSEMENTS

South Porcupine Hospital	$ 260.00
McMurray Hospital	148.33
Canora Hospital	604.16
Vegreville Hospital	325.00
Chinese in Canada	880.01
Indian School, ‘‘Cecilia Jeffrey’’	505.63
Indian School, ‘‘Cecilia Jeffrey,’’ Government Grant	3,512.41
Indian School, Birtle	598.99
Indian School, Mistawasis	169.00
Huntingdon School Home	141.66
New Liskeard School Home	68.33
Saskatoon School Home	164.16
Prince Albert School Home	380.95
Vegreville School Home	1,062.69
Welcome and Welfare	2,348.18
India, Bhil	80.47
India, Gwalior	6.20
China, South	557.33
China, Manchuria	73.57
Formosa	756.88
Publications	932.10
Organization	533.40
Pensions	2,172.09
Candidate	88.00
Supplies	33.73
Miscellaneous	291.40
Deputation	77.05
Education of Chinese Candidates	104.00
Administration	328.67
	$17,204.39

FINANCIAL SURVEY

Balance on hand September 30th, 1930	$68,120.60	
Receipts	19,455.06	
Disbursements		$17,204.39
Bank Balance		6,830.24
Pension Fund		7,906.21
Legacy Fund		8,771.78
Sustaining Fund		30,549.56
Bonds		11,500.00
Associated Mission Treasurers in China		400.00
Shanghai and Hong Kong Banking Corporation		250.00
Education of Chinese Candidate		3,241.08
Cash		922.40
	$87,575.66	$87,575.66

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NEW ORGANIZATIONS

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Calgary P.S.—Y.W. Associate Society, St. John's Ch., Medicine Hat; Girls of the "Burning Bush" Club, Grace Ch., Calgary.

British Columbia

Westminster P.S.—Chinese Presbyterian Auxiliary, Vancouver.

Manitoba

Brandon P.S.—W.M.S. Okanais Reserve, Elphinstone.

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Manitoba

Provincial Officers—page 106—Miss Jean Stevenson, Y. W. & Girls' Organization Secretary, address should be Fort William, not Port Arthur.

Ontario

Algoma P.S.—page 126—new Secretaries: Home Helpers, Miss Florabel McKenzie, 572 Sherbourne St., Sault Ste. Marie; Supply, Mrs. R. D. Curry, Bar River; Library and General Interests, Mrs. Fred Stone, 8 Borron Ave., Sault Ste. Marie; Life Membership, Mrs. Beaton, 68 St. Georges Ave., Sault Ste. Marie; Welcome and Welfare, Miss Jessie Fraser, Bar River; Finance, Mrs. H. Collins, Webbwood.

Sarnia P.S.—page 166—change Corresponding Secretary to Mrs. Peter McIntyre, 118 Crawford St., Sarnia; *Glad Tidings* and Literature Secretary to Mrs. D. Stewart, R.R. No. 1, Ailsa Craig.

Saugeen P.S.—page 168—change Supply Secretary to Mrs. Alexander Wilkie, Palmerston.

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